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## MR. CHURCHILL CROSS-EXAMINED

### JUSTIFICATION FOR WAR POLICY.

£15,000 Profit On a Book.

(Reuter's Service)

London, December 11.  
On the continuation of the Lord Alfred Douglas case the Old Bailey was crowded. Mr. Winston Churchill, cross-examined, did not agree to a suggestion by counsel, Mr. Hayes, that his explanation why he went to the Admiralty shortly after Jutland was untrue. Counsel drew attention to a leader in the *Morning Post* alleging that Mr. Churchill was incapable of realising the truth. Mr. Churchill replied that he had not read all the abuse slung about at election time. He would not take action against the *Morning Post* until he had consulted his legal advisers. Mr. Hayes suggested that owing to Mr. Churchill's blunders during the war there was great loss of life, therefore the publication of the alleged libel was a public benefit. Mr. Churchill agreed that it would be very important that he should be punished if such foul charges were true. He went to Antwerp with full authority from Lord Kitchener and Sir Edward Grey, and the best naval authorities believed the Dardanelles could have been rushed. The stakes in the Dardanelles were "a gamble," not in human lives but in old battleships. The whole object was to save lives by avoiding terrible frontal attacks in France. He firmly believed he was right in trying to carry out his scheme. He admitted that he made fifteen thousand sterling out of his book "The World Crisis."

Mr. Churchill denied that he told Captain Harold Spencer at Dundee in 1919, referring to the Jutland affair, that "we got money out of the Yanks." Mr. Churchill was in the witness box nearly six hours. Vice Admiral Sir H. F. Oliver and Sir James Masterton-Smith gave evidence that Mr. Churchill had nothing to do with the preparation of the Jutland communiqué. The hearing was then adjourned.

## INTER-VARSITY RUGBY.

### OXFORD WINS A GREAT MATCH.

At Twickenham for the Inter-Varsity "Rugger" match the weather was fine. There were fifteen thousand spectators, including his Majesty the King. Oxford beat Cambridge by 21 points to 14. There was a sensational start. Oxford scoring after three minutes through Smith and Lawton converting. Cambridge rallied, and transferred play to the Oxford half. Their forwards for a time controlled the game, and after fifteen minutes Francis scored for Cambridge from a penalty with a beautiful drop kick. Two minutes later Wickes beat six men and scored a wonderful try for Cambridge, Francis failing to convert.

Macpherson then scored a try for Oxford from Wallace's pass. Lawton converting from an awkward angle. Lawton then with a brilliant run transferred to Smith, who scored another try for Oxford. Lawton missing a goal by inches. Just before the interval, Scott scored a try for Cambridge. Francis failing to convert. At half time Oxford led by 13 to 11.

On the resumption a mistake by Macpherson resulted in Oxford being pinned in their own half for several minutes, then Macpherson scored a try for Oxford. Lawton converting. Then Lawton scored a try himself, but failed to convert. Play was now very strenuous, and Cambridge were tiring, but just on time a great passing movement ended in Davitt scoring a try for Cambridge. Francis again failing to convert.

## CONSERVATIVES TO CARRY ON.

### PARLIAMENT TO ASSEMBLE ON JANUARY 8.

The Cabinet met at noon, the only absentees being Lord Robert Cecil, Lord Salisbury and Viscount Novar. It considered the political situation, and broke up at 1.30. An official announcement will be made this evening, but it is understood Mr. Baldwin will carry on at the head of the Government, having received assurances of support from all his ministerial colleagues and members of the party generally.

London, December 11.  
It is officially announced from Downing Street that after careful consideration of constitutional precedents and their bearing upon the situation which has arisen as a result of the general election, the Cabinet has decided unanimously that it is their constitutional duty to meet Parliament at the earliest possible moment. Parliament will therefore reassemble, as already provided, on January 8th.

London, December 11.  
Mr. Baldwin had short interviews with Mr. Asquith and Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, at which he communicated to them, as an act of courtesy, his decision to remain in office until Parliament meets.

## UNPAID PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST.

### CHINESE BONDS MAY BE BANNED.

London, December 11.  
The Stock Exchange committee announces that it has learned that unless certain special declarations be signed by the presenter of coupons and bonds, the Chinese Government declines to pay either interest or principal to the holders of its bonds issued in Germany of the Chinese five per cents of 1896, four and a half of 1898, and Hukuang's five of 1911. The committee has informed its agents that unless the terms of the issue of such bonds be carried out in full, they will not in future grant a quotation for any new issue; and further, unless satisfactory answers be received, they will take into consideration the removal from the daily official list of such of the loans already quoted as contain bonds whose coupons have not been met in accordance with the terms of the issue.

A similar warning is issued in respect of the London issue of Rumanian four and a half of 1913.

## ATTEMPTED REVOLUTION IN PORTUGAL.

### A VAGUE TELEGRAM FROM LISBON.

London, December 11.  
An apparently censored message from Lisbon shows that the Presidential Palace was attacked with a view to the overthrow of the Government, and that the Guard replied to the attack, which apparently was carried out by extremists supported by the garrison and a destroyer. The situation is now reported to be normal.

## THE NORTHERNMOST POLL.

London, December 11.  
For Orkney and Shetland, Sir E. T. Hamilton (Liberal) was elected.

## FOR CANTON?

### U. S. DESTROYERS LEAVE MANILA.

Manila, December 11.  
Six destroyers left here for Hongkong today. The flagship Huron is to leave to-morrow (Thursday).—Reuter.

## ANOTHER ROBBERY.

### WHAT A NEWSPAPER MAN SAW.

Six armed robbers broke into No. 25 Connaught Road Central, occupied by the Sang Fat firm of produce dealers, at a quarter past seven last night and stole \$450 from a receptacle in the cockpit.

In making their escape after having bound and gagged the inmates, the robbers were seen by a local newspaperman, on whose report the police acted, dispatching every available man on search duty in the town. No arrests have been made.

## DAY BY DAY.

The passengers who left by the S.S. President Taft included Lieut. Commander J. Rushbrooke and Mr. T. H. G. Brayfield.

A Reuter's message from Manila states that one Macro was slain and twenty-five surrendered to the Constabulary at Mindanao.

For possession of eighteen and a half cases of dynamite, seven detonators, and a quantity of fuses, a fisherman was fined \$50, or one month's hard labour, notwithstanding the plea that the explosives had been left him by his grandfather.

Statistics of the Public Utilities Department in Canton show that there are 5,766 vehicles of various kinds in the city. Of these 295 are motor cars (including motor trucks), 3,630 public rickshaws, 648 private 825 bicycles, 1,223 trucks, 39 carriages, and 136 wheelbarrows.

Mr. R. L. D. Wodehouse, who, before leaving for India a few weeks back, had been one of the most prominent figures in Straits cricket, was selected to play for the Presidency European team in the Bombay Quadrangular Tournament recently. Mr. Wodehouse, who is also a fine golfer and lawn tennis player, figured in Interport events in Hongkong a few years ago, before he returned to the Straits.

An official report issued in Canton states that Cheung Mok Tao has been captured by the Yunnanese troops and that attacks made by Shum Hung-ying's forces and the Northern troops on the North River have been repulsed. Although official statements say that the Northern troops have been repulsed, another report states that the Judicial Court at Nanking has been removed to Kook Kwong city. Trains for the north have been during the past few days been confined to the transportation of troops.

Miss Mary Dingman, who for several years has been connected with the World's Committee of the Young Women's Christian Association, London, as Industrial Secretary, and who has already spent six months in China studying industrial conditions, is returning on the joint invitation of the National Christian Council and the National Committee of the Young Women's Christian Association, for a period of two years. This evening at 8.30, at the Chinese Young Women's Christian Association, 59, Cairns Road, Miss Dingman will speak on "The Church and the Industrial Situation in Various Countries," and there will be opportunity for questions and discussion.

## PASSED AWAY.



Lord Shaughnessy, the Canadian railway magnate, whose death is announced.

## CANTON EXECUTION.

### FORMER DETECTIVE'S FATE.

A Canton report states that the Commissioner of Police, acting on instructions from Dr. Sun, has caused the arrest of a boarder at the Asia Hotel named Yang Yuk, and has had him shot.

The reason for the execution is not known, but a rumour prevails to the effect that Yang had once been a detective in Shanghai and had caused the arrest of many members of Sun's party. It is further rumoured that he came down to Canton with a big sum of money, but after his execution none of this could be discovered.

## HOCKEY.

### SUBMARINES DEFEATED.

H.M.S. Tamar and small ships won their match in the first round of the United Services hockey tournament against the Submarines by six goals to four. It was most unfortunate that the Submarines had several of their best men away. Commanders Edwards and Rushbrooke were both unable to play, which weakened their defence considerably.

The Tamar had much the better of the game in the first half; their forwards were always superior to those of their opponents, though they missed several chances in the circle. Commander Worthington, their centre-half, was easily the best player on the ground; he plays a very clean game and his stick work is exceptionally neat. When the whistle blew for half-time, they had a lead of four goals.

In the second half, the Submarines pulled themselves together and, thanks to the energetic play of Commander Lake, they put in four goals to the Tamar's two, the Tamar thus winning by a margin of two goals.

The match produced a very poor display of hockey, with Commander Worthington as the only exception. It was a great pity that there was so much hard hitting. Nothing is so useless to one's side and so dangerous to one's opponents. Players also were continually being pulled up for obstruction and tackling from the wrong side, even so, the umpires were very lenient.

The annual concert of the local Philharmonic Society is to take place on Tuesday next, and a splendid programme of part songs, from old and modern sources, will be presented. Book tickets are on sale, and there is plenty of opportunity for questions and discussion.

## OUR CHRISTMAS NUMBER.

### GET SATURDAYS "TELEGRAPH."

The *Telegraph's* Christmas Number is to be published on Saturday next, the 15th, instant. It will be presented gratis with the ordinary issue of the paper on that date and will, we are sure, be in great demand by those who wish to secure a seasonal Christmas matter issued in an attractive form.

Enclosed in a cover of handsome design, lithographed in striking colours, this Christmas Number will contain, amongst other good things, stories by well-known authors, puzzles for the youngsters, seasonal poetry, etc., and will be freely illustrated. The advertisements contained therein will comprise a guide for Christmas shoppers, indicating what the leading local firms have to offer those in search of presents.

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## SUN ON SOCIALISM.

### SOCIAL REVOLUTION NEEDED.

Canton reports state that in an address to Generals and Commanders of his Army, Dr. Sun Yat-sen spoke on Socialism. He is reported to have said that at present Russia is the only country in the world which puts Socialism into practice. Strong and prosperous nations such as Britain, the United States and Japan had not yet taken such a step, and in those countries there was still a great difference in the lot of the rich and the poor. Until such differences were abolished by a social revolution, which would bring all the riches within reach of the people, there could be no real enjoyment or equality.

## TO-DAY.

Closing Exchange 2s. 3. 13/16.  
Barometer - 2 p.m. 30.67  
Temperature 2 p.m. 71  
Humidity 2 p.m. 64  
High Tide 11.59 p.m. Low Water 5.30 p.m.  
Lighting Up-Time 5.40 p.m.

## NEWS IN THE ADS.

There will be a fancy dress ball at the Peak Club on the night of January 24th.

One train leaving Kowloon and one train leaving Shum Chun on Sundays have been cancelled.

The St. Louis Club, composed of local talent, is giving a grand concert and minstrel show on Friday evening at the Star Theatre.

Sales of Crown Land above Bowen Road and on Mount Cameron are being held at the P.W.D. on Monday afternoon.

The Philharmonic Society's concert takes place in the Theatre Royal on Tuesday next.

## TO-DAY'S SPECIAL CABLES.

(United Press Service to the "Telegraph").

## THE REPARATIONS ENQUIRY.

### AMERICA WON'T OFFICIALLY PARTICIPATE.

Washington, December 11.  
President Coolidge has announced in the press that he approves of private financial experts participating in the Reparations Committee's enquiry, but the United States will not officially participate therein.

## THE MEXICAN REVOLUTION.

### ENEMIES OF REPUBLIC TO BE CRUSHED.

Mexico City, December 11.  
President Obregon informs the United Press that the Revolution only affects Vera Cruz and Jalisco. He says he regrets having to draw the sword, but he is determined to crush all enemies of the Republic.

(Reuter's American Service.)

## AMERICA AND REPARATIONS.

### A MODIFIED PARTICIPATION.

Washington, December 11.  
It is announced that the Government would view with favour the participation by American economic experts in a private capacity in the Reparations Commission enquiry committees, though it is unable to participate officially, or appoint a representative.

It is officially intimated that the fact that the invitation is supported by all the Allied Governments, also Germany, is regarded as important, since unanimity of the European Powers has always been insisted on as a requisite to effective American aid. American interest in the investigation is regarded here as chiefly due to the fact that the Government is one of Germany's principal creditors. An official statement says the Government believes that the proposed reparations enquiry will be of great value.

## MEXICAN REBELS ADVANCING.

### NOW CONTROL GULF COAST.

Vera Cruz, December 11.  
The Revolutionary Headquarters have received a wireless message stating that the garrison at Tampico has joined the Revolutionaries. This, if true, means that the rebels control the entire coast of the Gulf of Mexico. A general advance against Mexico City began to-day. The rebels reached a point midway between Vera Cruz and Mexico City.

## THE RUM-RUNNING QUESTION.

London, December 11.  
Reuter learns that the British and American Governments are constantly exchanging views with regard to rum-running, but there is no real difference of opinion. There is a general agreement on the main principles, the only question now being discussed being really the drafting, which is being considered in the best spirit on both sides with a sincere desire for an agreement.

## AMERICAN LOAN TO AID GERMANY.

Washington, December 11.  
Following publication of a private letter from Mr. Hoover favouring the flotation of a seventy million dollar German food loan, it is learned that the United States Government is hopeful that negotiations for the loan will succeed. About half the proceeds will be expended on foodstuffs in the United States.

## FAMOUS AMERICAN DETECTIVE DEAD.

Los Angeles, December 11.  
The death has occurred of Mr. William Pinkerton, the world-famous detective, and head of the well-known Pinkerton's Agency.

## UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE AT ST. JAMES.

Washington, December 11.  
The Senate has confirmed the appointment of Mr. Kellogg Ambassador to Britain.

## EARLIER SPECIAL CABLES.

### REDUCTION OF ARMAMENTS.

(United Press Service to the "Telegraph").

Washington, Dec. 11.  
Mr. Magnus Johnson, the Radical Senator, moved and successfully tabled a resolution providing that the President call a conference of all nations with whom America has anti-war treaties. The resolution's object was a second Washington Conference looking to a reduction of airplanes and other weapons unrestricted under the present treaties.

It is unlikely that there will be any further attempt by President Coolidge to send a message to Congress as he specifically opposes the Army and Navy personnel increases, thus opposing Secretaries Weeks and Dyer.

## MEXICAN REBELLION.

(United Press Service to the "Telegraph").

San Antonio, Dec. 11.  
The Federal army captured Salado and defeated the rebels.



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### EUROPEAN RESERVATIONS.

#### OPPOSED BY CHINESE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

At an extraordinary meeting of  
the Chinese Chamber of Commerce  
yesterday a resolution was passed  
by the Chamber opposing the Re-  
servation scheme indicated in the  
Housing Commission's report.

Mr. M. K. Lo said the reservation  
scheme advocated by the Housing  
Commission was not connected with  
economic reasons as the Commis-  
sioners asserted, but was a matter  
of racial discrimination. In their  
report the Commission, by way of  
proving that the scheme had no-  
thing to do with the racial ques-  
tion, mentioned that the Hon. Mr.  
Chow Shou-son had worked out a  
scheme whereby he and a number  
of friends settled together at a  
part of Deep Water Bay. Mr. Lo  
said he would be the last man to  
protest against any scheme of such  
a kind as that of Mr. Chow Shou-  
son's, but the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pol-  
lock and Mr. W. S. Bailey, as mem-  
bers of the Housing Commission,  
recommended in their report that  
the Government should earmark a  
very large area of land at Kowloon  
to be exclusively reserved for  
Europeans in the same way as the  
Peak was reserved. He thought  
such legislation was unnecessary  
because the Government, as ex-  
plained by Mr. Fletcher when he  
was Acting Colonial Secretary,  
would help such schemes as that in  
respect of Shek O. It had been  
said that foreigners had to take  
steps to protect themselves as they  
were being gradually crowded out  
by Chinese, but whose fault was  
it? Foreigners owned a great  
deal of property in Hongkong, and  
they were not slow to take advan-  
tage of the boom to transfer  
ownership to Chinese at profitable  
prices. Mr. Lo said that when the  
Cheungchau reservation was sug-  
gested the Chinese raised strong  
opposition. Mr. Alabaster, the  
leading spirit in the Cheungchau  
reservation movement, told him,  
officially, that with the Peak and  
Cheungchau foreigners would have  
sufficient places to live in and that  
a further extension of reservations  
for Europeans was unlikely. This  
was told to the late Mr. Lau  
Chu-pak, and because of Mr.  
Alabaster's statement the objection  
was waived. Now, however, the  
Kowloon scheme was recommended  
by the Housing Commission and  
the Chamber must oppose it.

#### Not a Racial Question.

The Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-son  
disagreed with Mr. Lo that the  
scheme suggested by the Housing  
Commission was not connected  
with economic reasons. To his  
mind, he said, the recommendation  
had no connection with the racial  
question whatever. It was an un-  
disputable fact that foreigners as  
well as Chinese of all classes had  
suffered much embarrassment, and  
in many cases actual hardship,  
through the speculation in prop-  
erty. Seeing that they were being  
crowded out the foreigners had asked  
the Government to allot to them  
as a protective measure, a piece of  
land where they could live together,  
and in doing so he believed they  
were not trying to set up a racial  
barrier. Mr. Lo said that that  
should not be done. He would agree  
with Mr. Lo that only foreigners were  
allowed to apply for land and settle  
down together, but according to the  
Commission's report, Chinese and  
people of other nationalities could do  
likewise if they desired. There was  
no unfairness at all. In the case of  
the Peak racial prejudice was  
apparent. However, the Chinese  
opposed the reservation in the case  
of the Peak more from principle

### SHANGHAI SHOOTING.

#### EUROPEAN ACCUSED ACQUITTED.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Dec. 11.  
Samuel Vaughan, a Waterworks  
employee, was acquitted to-day at  
the British Supreme Court on a  
charge of shooting a Chinese  
prostitute with intent to murder.

The prosecution's witnesses  
testified that Vaughan entered the  
restaurant and shot the girl almost  
without warning. The defence  
claimed that the shooting was an  
accident.

than anything else, because owing  
to the conflicting customs and habit-  
of the different races most Chinese  
preferred to live among their own  
nationals than with foreigners.  
What was considered a common  
form of amusement among the  
Chinese might be regarded as ob-  
jectionable by foreigners, and  
vice versa.

#### A Sound Motto.

Mr. Chow Shou-son said his motto  
was "never to interfere with anything  
which is beneficial to others and  
which causes us no harm." If any-  
thing detrimental to the Chinese  
was attempted they should all fight  
against it to "land's end," but he  
thought the recommendation of the  
Housing Commission would not affect  
the Chinese. Furthermore, the  
recommendations would not neces-  
sarily be all approved by the Gov-  
ernment. Mr. Chow Shou-son sug-  
gested that the Chamber temporarily  
defer further discussion of the  
matter. If the Chinese were not  
treated on the same footing as  
foreigners in the matter of prices  
for land and the conditions, after  
the Commission's recommendation  
was carried out, then the Chinese  
would have cause to complain.

Mr. Lo maintained that it was a  
racial question. He could see no  
difference between the Peak re-  
servation and the Kowloon scheme.

Mr. Chow Shou-son said he was  
not trying to get into the good  
graces of the foreigners, but he did  
affirm that the scheme was due to  
economic conditions.

Mr. Ho Kwong referred to a mass  
meeting at the City Hall before the  
Housing Commission was appointed  
in connection with the extension of  
the reservation. The Chinese  
Chamber appointed himself, Mr. M.  
K. Lo and the Hon. Mr. R. H.  
Kotewall to oppose the extension at  
the meeting. Later, it was an-  
nounced a few days before that  
meeting that the reservation ques-  
tion had been dropped. Mr. Chow  
Shou-son said that most Chinese  
would not like to live among Euro-  
peans. That might be true, but  
there were many young Chinese  
educated abroad whose mode of  
living did not differ greatly from  
that of Europeans. Mr. Ho Kwong  
expressed himself in favour of op-  
posing the Housing Commission's  
recommendation.

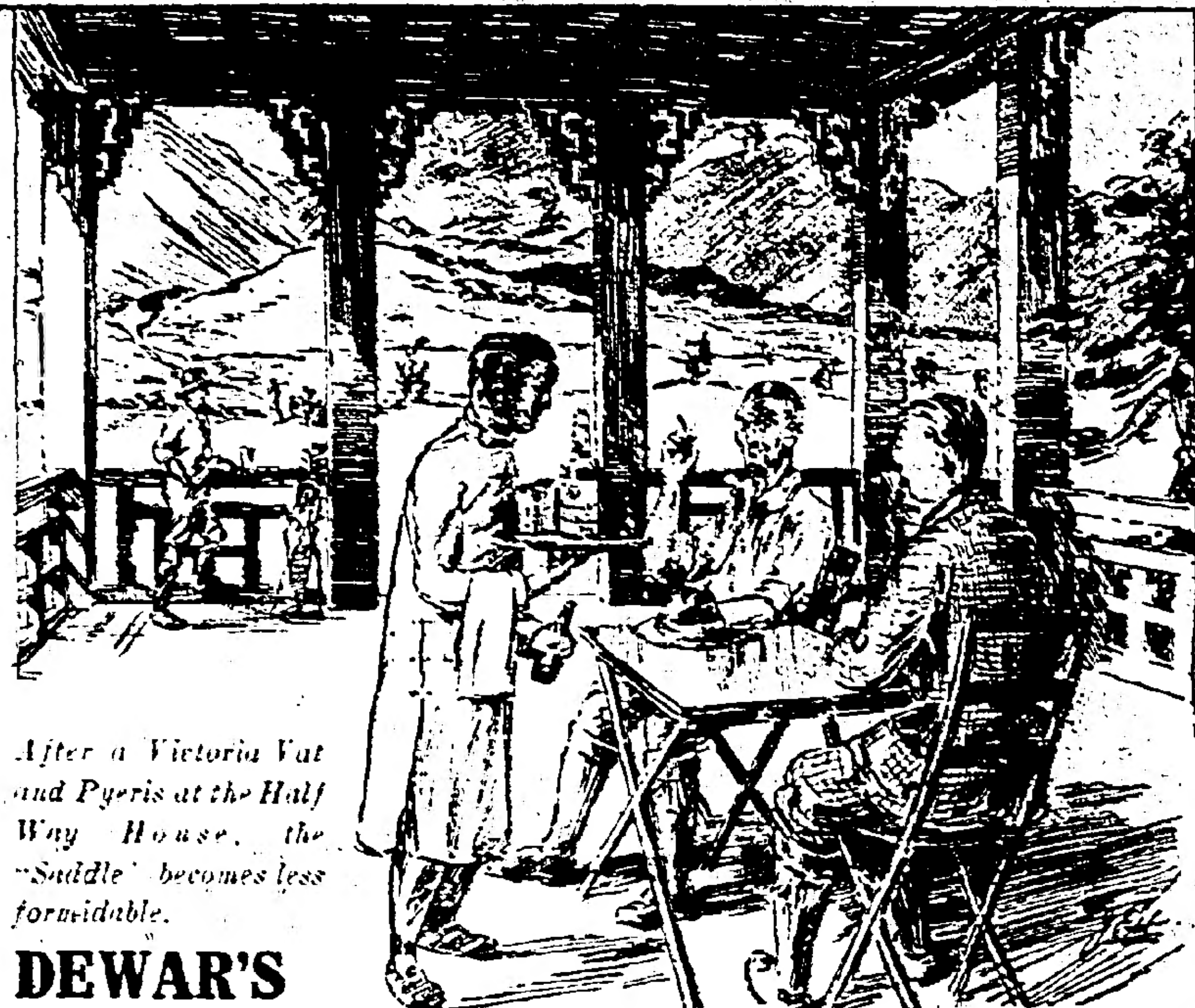
#### Out of Order.

Mr. Wong Kwong-tin said that  
in view of the keen desire of some  
Chinese to live in the Peak he  
wished to know if there was anyone  
who had "exchanged his house on  
the Peak for one in Chinatown."

Mr. Ho Kwong demanded to know  
who that man was and asked Mr.  
Wong to be more lucid.

The Chairman, Mr. Li Po-kwai,  
considered that what Mr. Wong  
had said was irrelevant and stop-  
ped further remarks.  
A resolution to oppose the Hous-  
ing Commission's recommendation  
was then put to the meeting and  
passed by a majority of twenty-  
five against eight, those voting  
against the resolution including  
Mr. Chow Shou-son.

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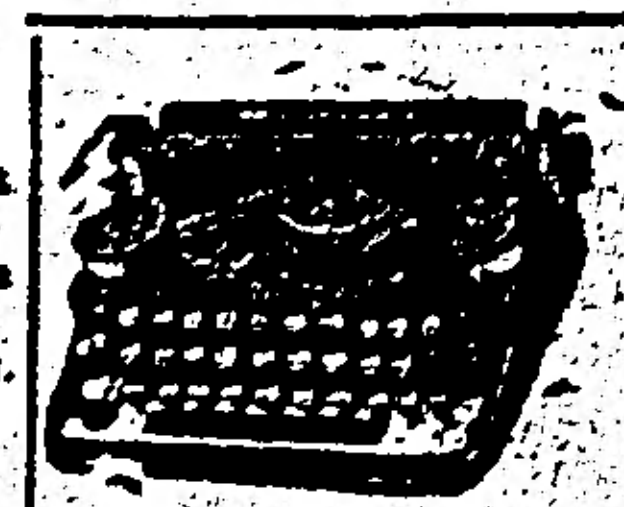


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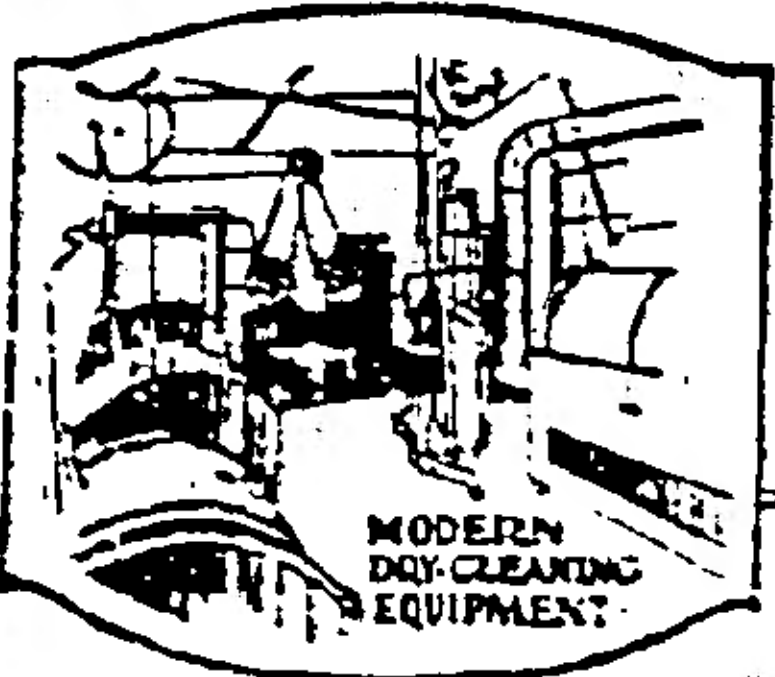
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### HONGKONG BUILDING LAW.

#### THE PROVISION OF OPEN SPACES.

An extraordinary meeting of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce was held yesterday afternoon to discuss, among other things, the proposed new building Ordinance regarding the provision of open spaces, the continuance of the Rents Ordinance and the extension of the European reservation as recommended by the Housing Commission.

The meeting was presided over by Mr. Li Pook-wai and attended by about two hundred members, the largest gathering for some time. There was considerable discussion of each of the matters specified necessitating the withdrawal from the agenda of no fewer than nineteen items, mostly of a routine business nature. These will be dealt with at the regular monthly meeting to be held shortly. The meeting commenced at 2:30 and did not disperse till 5 p.m. The new building law was dealt with first.

The Secretary, Mr. Li Lan-chuen, read a letter from the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kewell in which the latter expressed regret at his inability to attend. Mr. Kewell said he had already expressed his views on the reservation question in the Housing Commission report. As regards the proposed building law he and the Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-sen had seen H. E. the Governor and a postponement of the first reading, which was to take place at the Council meeting on Thursday, tomorrow had been granted so as to give the Chinese ample time to express their views.

#### The Proposed Law.

It is proposed to amend the Legislative Council Ordinance to amend further the Public Health and Building Ordinance, 1901.

The objects and purposes of the Bill, provided that every domestic building erected or built based from the Crown after the 20th February, 1924, shall be provided with an open space equal in area to not less than one-half of the plot area of such building, and that a sewerage line must also be provided for the sewerage system. Section 170 of the Ordinance provides that every domestic building erected or built from the Crown after the 21st February, 1901, shall be provided with an open space equal in area to not less than one-third of the plot area of such building, and that the owner must also provide a sewerage line for which he may claim compensation. Both sections provide that in certain cases portions of streets may be counted as open spaces. The three main objects of this Bill are:

1. To apply the principle of section 170 to all buildings erected after the 20th February, 1924.

2. To abolish compensation for sewerage lines, and to provide that no portion of any street shall count as open space.

The Bill gives the Building Authority a power of modification, but this power will not extend in any case to the grant of compensation.

#### "Most Unfair."

Mr. Li Pook-wai said the proposed Ordinance was most unfair and should never be passed. Two attempts had already been made to introduce it, but each time it was dropped by the Government on account of protests from Chinese property-owners. The requirement for open space contemplated by the proposed Ordinance, if sanctioned, would render many Chinese buildings unsuitable for business purposes. Most buildings in the business centre were below sixty or seventy feet in depth and to reduce the premises by half would entail grave hardships on both owners and occupants, especially the latter on account of business stagnation in the one case and high rents in the other. If such a law were passed the Government might just as well order the wholesale demolition of all houses in Hongkong. The Chamber must request the two Chinese members to ask the Government to rescind the proposed new legislation.

#### Reasonable Suggestions Wanted

The Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-sen said that both on Friday and Saturday of last week he and the Hon. Mr. Kewell interviewed the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, the Attorney General and the to them the serious effects of the new Ordinance on house-owners and tenants alike. A postponement of the first reading had been

allowed by the Governor and as it would not be brought forward until after the New Year there was ample time for house-owners and tenants to go into the proposed law thoroughly. He understood from some property holders that a solicitor would be engaged to make representations to the Government, but whether they obtained legal assistance or not he would advise landlords to consider very carefully the new Bill and communicate their suggestions to the Government either through the Chinese Council members or through a solicitor. It would be futile to expect that the Government would always meet the wishes of the Chinese to the fullest extent in all matters, but he had no doubt that any reasonable suggestions would be accepted. Mr. Chow Shou-sen suggested that the Chamber appoint a sub-committee to cooperate with the landlords.

#### Vigorous Opposition Urged.

Mr. Ho Kwong said he felt sure he was voicing the feeling of the meeting when he proposed that the Chamber should vigorously oppose the Bill. There could be only one opinion among these present regarding the new Ordinance. That was that it should be dropped by the Government. The housing problem was as acute as ever, and it would be seriously aggravated were the new law passed. Chinese having money would think twice before venturing to invest their savings in property, as the Government had made it clear that no compensation would be granted for the requisition of half the area of a house to be turned into an open space. "In 1901," Mr. Ho Kwong said, "the Government passed a Bill requiring one-third of a house for open space, and in 1923 another one-third was added. The Government might in 1924 order two-thirds and in 1925 the demolition of the whole building." If the Government desired to widen the roads they should have made allowance for such improvement when they leased the land, and should not make the property owners suffer.

Mr. M. K. Lo asked if Mr. Chow Shou-sen would ascertain what the Government thought of the report which the Chamber's Sub-Committee sent to them when the introduction of the Ordinance was proposed the last time. The reasons for the Bill being rescinded were then fully set forth, and if the view of the Government could be obtained as to whether they still held good it would be very helpful to the landlords and the Chamber when they considered the Bill.

Mr. Chow Shou-sen said he would approach the Government on the matter. Mr. Chow added that personally he considered the Ordinance most unfair but it was suggested for the Chinese to say that they opposed it without stating their grounds. For this reason it would be advisable for the landlords and the Sub-Committee of the Chamber to engage one or two architects and think out sound arguments. As this was the third time the Government had intended to introduce the Ordinance it was desirable that the Government should be informed once and for all that the Chinese would never allow such an Ordinance to be passed without objection.

#### Chamber to Foot the Cost.

The suggestion was made by Mr. Li Lan-chuen that the meeting first give its opinion as to whether the Ordinance should be passed. They would afterwards appoint a sub-committee to prepare a petition asking the Government to withdraw the Ordinance.

On the proposal of Mr. Ho Kwong the meeting unanimously decided to oppose the Ordinance and asked the Chinese Council members to communicate the decision to the Government.

Some discussion arose as to who would be responsible for the expense incurred in connection with the petition, such as architects and solicitor's fees if the landlords, tenants and the Chamber were to act conjointly. It was finally decided that if any difference should occur in connection with expenses the Chamber would "foot" the bill.

The following gentlemen were appointed to cooperate with the Executive Committee of the Chamber preparing the petition: Messrs. Fung Ping-shan, Chan Harr, Li Yan-chuen, Leung But rue, Pong Wai-tin, Chao Pik-chuen, Shin Wai-man, Ip Li-kwong, Kwok Chun, Li Shing-ko, Mok Chung-kwong, Fu Yik-ping, Leung Kwai-din, Tam Woon-tong, and Li Koon-chun.

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### HONGKONG'S HOUSING PROBLEM.

#### GRIEVANCES OF LANDLORDS AND TENANTS.

The recommendation of the Housing Commission that the Rents Ordinance be maintained as long as the turmoil in Kwongtung exists and until the shortage of houses in Hongkong has been met, was the subject of a long and interesting discussion at a Chinese Chamber of Commerce meeting yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Li Pook-wai, the Chairman, said that both landlords and tenants were still complaining of the hardships of the Rents Ordinance. On the one hand the assertion was made by house-owners that the Ordinance was unnecessarily strict and that it should be amended, while on the other it was stated that the present rent restriction did not provide adequate protection. Personally, he thought that as the landlords were all of the well-to-do class they should not allow the consideration of small sacrifices to prevent them from helping to promote the common weal; they should do all they could for the benefit of the masses. There had been complaints that landlords with a genuine desire to obtain possession of their premises for their own occupation were unable to do so on account of the Rents Ordinance, while at the same time tenants had written to the Chamber with regard to what they considered to be indiscriminate demolition of houses. Thus, they said, had caused many people to become vagabonds and deprived them of the means of securing return for their capital. He sympathised with these unfortunate shopkeepers who had been forced out of business by unscrupulous landlords, and he thought that demolition of comparatively new houses should be rigidly condemned. The Chairman said that the best way of evolving a satisfactory solution would be to call a meeting representing landlords and tenants so that each could afterwards make suitable recommendations to the Government when the Ordinance came before the Legislative Council for renewal.

#### How Tenants Suffer.

Mr. Wong Kam-yang, President of the Tenants' Protective Association, said that cases had occurred in which families of from ten to twenty years old were pulled down for reconstruction. In the case of old buildings it was but right that they should be demolished if only for the sake of public safety, but to pull down sound and strong houses simply in order to get more rent should be condemned. The Chamber should give its help in the matter by making representations to the Government.

Mr. Li Lan-chuen said the craze for pulling down houses for reconstruction was indirectly due to the Rents Ordinance, it being one in many cases a means to induce tenants to give up premises which were required by the landlords themselves for occupation. There were always two sides to a question, and the same applied to the Rents Ordinance. No one would contradict him when he said that the Ordinance provided for some tenants the instrument for exploiting their fellow holders, and cases had been brought to his notice wherein the principal tenants of some houses were able to make a living by charging excessive rents to their fellow tenants. If the Ordinance was abolished, however, rents would go up by leaps and bounds and the hardships of the tenants would indeed be very serious.

#### Injustice to Owners.

An illustration of the "injustice" to landlords Mr. M. K. Lo mentioned that the other day a man told him that a tenant had suspended business and vacated his premises, but he had installed a new tenant in the house without his (the landlord's) consent. The man asked what steps he should take, and he (Mr. Lo) advised him to prevent the new tenant from moving into the house. Mr. Lo said that this was but one of many unfair restrictions imposed on landlords by the Ordinance. The Government should indicate how many years it intended to have the Ordinance in operation so that landlords would know for how long they had to suffer. Mr. Lo expressed the opinion that as long as the Ordinance was in force the demolition of houses would continue as most people would prefer building new houses to buying old ones. Rents would consequently continue to be higher. Mr. Wong Kam-yang said that if the Rents Ordinance caused many landlords to build more houses, it became all the more desirable that it should be maintained because the more houses they built the quicker would the problem be solved.

There was no further discussion. The Chairman's proposal of a landlords' conference received no support and the matter dropped.

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**Memorandum of Inquiry.**  
Peking, Dec. 11.—The communication from the Government relating to the Canton Customs was in the form of a memorandum, which was sent to each Legation concerned asking whether the naval forces of the five Powers had made a landing in Canton and, if so, in what circumstances.

A meeting of the diplomatic Body held to-day resolved to send a further communication to the Central Government regarding Sun Yat-sen's threat to take over the Customs at Canton, saying that in the interests of foreigners as well as that of the Chinese Government it was essential to maintain the integrity of the Maritime Customs.  
—Reuter.

### TYPHOONS.

LECTURE BY MR. T. F. CLAXTON.

The large audience which assembled in the Union Church Hall last night to hear Mr. T. F. Claxton, F.R.S., the Director of the Royal Observatory, try, lecture on "Typhoons of the Far East" showed the immense amount of interest in the subject of the lecturer's address and the very little knowledge the ordinary layman possesses about it.

Mr. Claxton's lecture contained much important scientific data, which is of considerable interest to the shipping community particularly, but which, owing to limited space at our disposal will be dealt with more fully in tomorrow's issue.

Mr. Claxton explained that typhoons of the Far East, in their general features, are the same as the hurricanes of the W. I. and the cyclones of the Bay of Bengal and of the South Indian Ocean. He dealt at length with the origin of these impressive manifestations of nature's forces, outlined the old conventional theory of the origin of tropical typhoons and explained how it should be modified and supplemented in the light of modern investigations.

If the track of typhoons in the Far East for the past 30 years were copied on a chart, Mr. Claxton said that practically the whole of the ocean area would be covered by them and a certain part of the land area, though generally speaking typhoons broke up on reaching China. He mentioned that typhoons travelling westwards to Hongkong moved more quickly if they passed through the Balaokang or Bashi channels than if they passed over Luzon.

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Mr. Claxton gave some interesting particulars of the typhoon of Aug. 18th last, which we hope to give in tomorrow's issue.

At the conclusion of the lecture the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald moved a very hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Claxton for his very interesting lecture and this was carried with applause.

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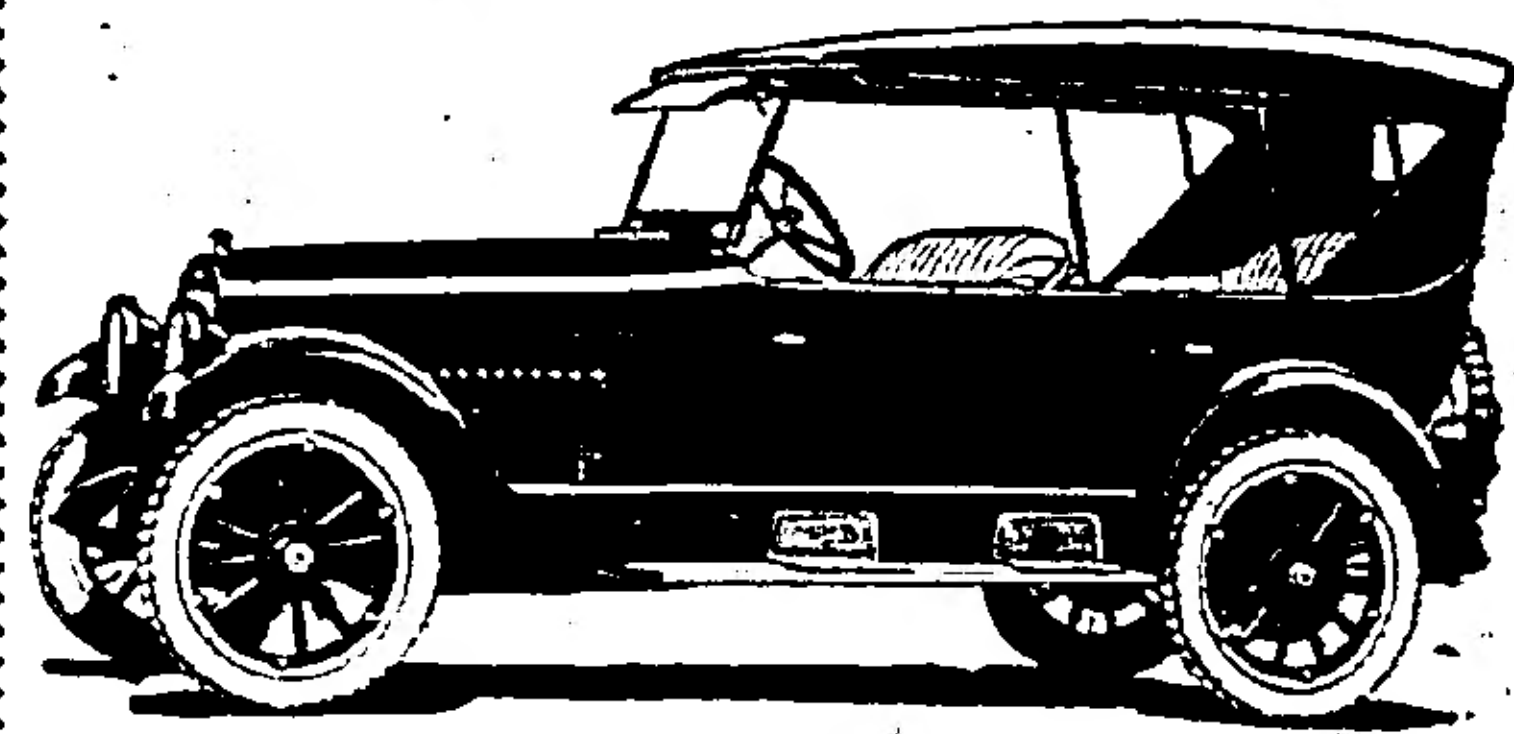
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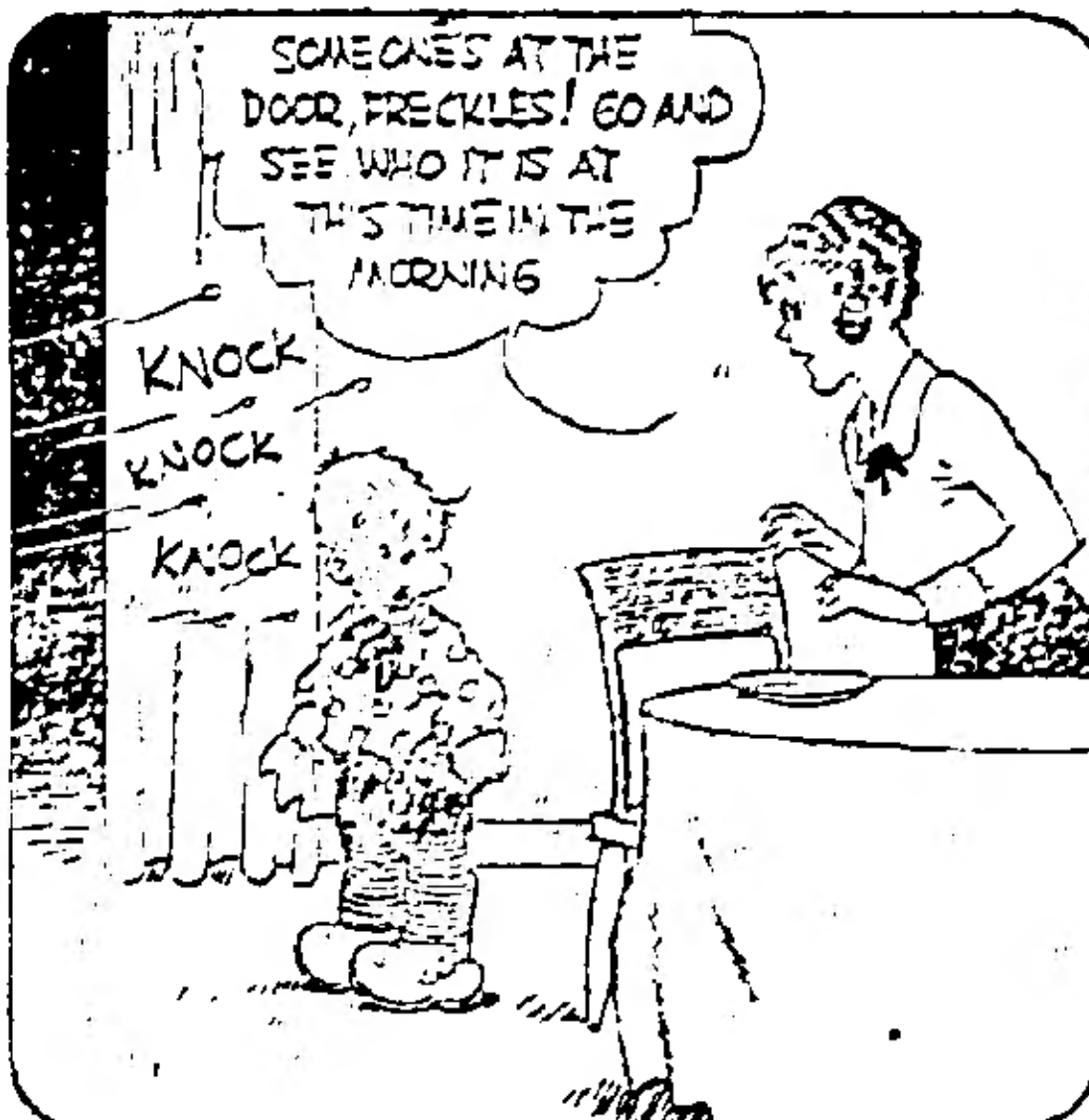
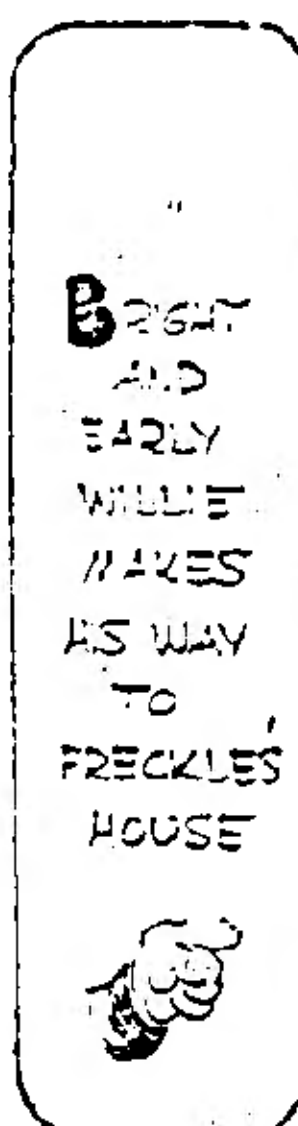
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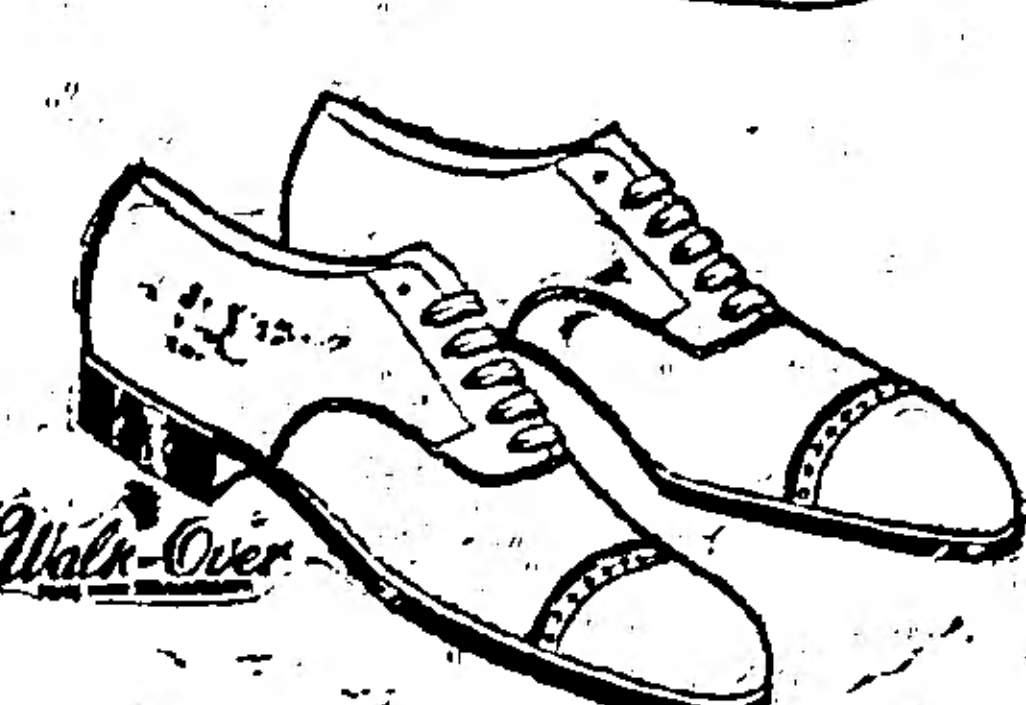
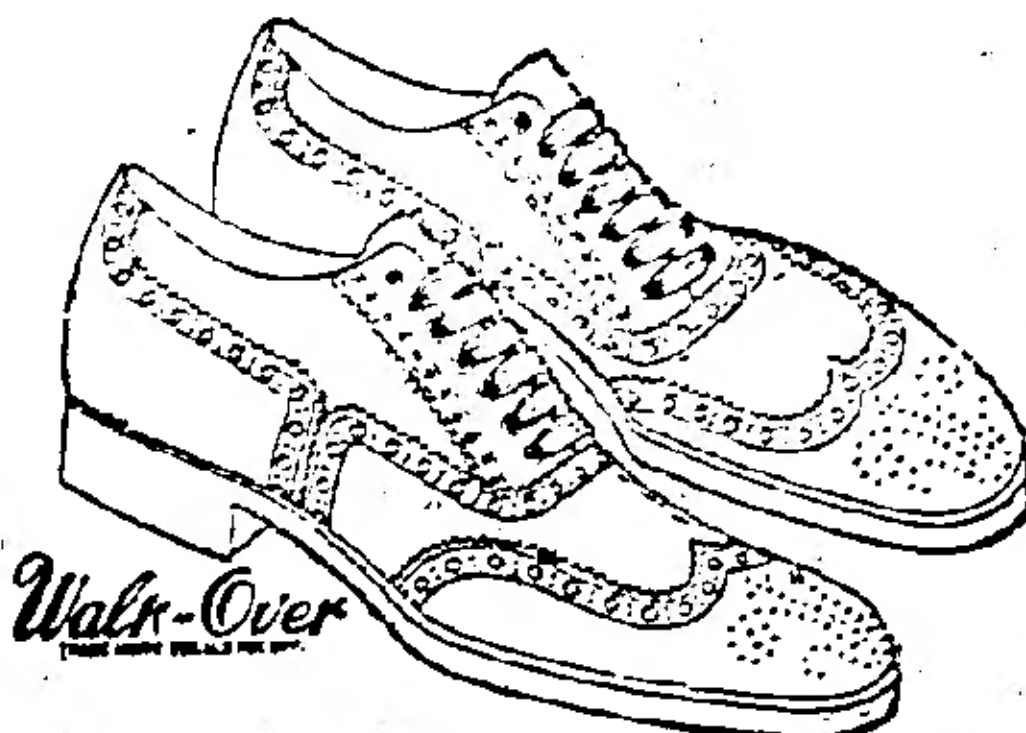
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### The Telegraph.

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### RESERVATIONS.

The vexed question of European residential reservations led to a very outspoken discussion at the meeting of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce last night, a discussion in which we think that Mr. M. K. Lo and Mr. Ho Kwong adopted a mistaken attitude, although they succeeded in carrying the Chamber with them when it came to voting. The Chamber has now committed itself to a policy of opposition so far as European reservations are concerned—a policy with which we cannot agree. We have previously expounded the view that a policy of reservations all round is the one most desirable in a cosmopolitan centre like Hong-kong. We can well understand Mr. Lo's anxiety to prevent "racial discrimination" because it is an anxiety we share with him, and in advocating reservations it is well that we should state our reasons for so doing.

First and foremost, the matter is an economic one, and dozens of instances could be cited in which wealthy Chinese have purchased houses in which moderate-salaried Europeans were housed, to the eventual dispossession of the European residents. There are comparatively few Europeans who own the property in which they live or who could afford to buy it and they are surely entitled to some legal protection against dispossession in favour of wealthy and often non-Hongkong Chinese. And without subscribing to such phrases as "racial prejudice" and "racial discrimination," because they infer either superiority or inferiority, we strongly believe in the desirability of permitting Europeans to live among people of European habits. Between purely native-educated Chinese and foreigners there do exist grave social incompatibilities; they have differing customs and modes of life that make their residence side by side a matter of friction. Mr. Lo

would be the first to agree with that if, in his rightful anxiety to uphold the dignity and status of his fellow-countrymen here, he did not blind himself to facts. When we ask for a European reservation we do not infer that Chinese are unworthy to live near us, nor are we the victims of any foolish racial feeling; we ask it because we are convinced that conditions call for it. European-educated Chinese, with European modes of life, have themselves migrated away from purely Chinese residential centres; they have become intolerant, just as Europeans are, of native noises and practices. It is a question of different civilisations meeting yet not mingling, and there is no need for Mr. Lo or Mr. Ho Kwong to get heated with indignation. We cast no slur on our Chinese friends; we simply recognise a difference.

If Europeans were asking for something which they are not prepared to grant to Chinese, then Mr. Lo's point about discrimination would have more weight, but we see not the slightest objection to the granting of all or any reservation asked for so long as the location of such reservation does not destroy the object at which we are aiming.

The making of a European reservation on the Kowloon foothills is an urgent necessity in view of the eventual commercialisation of the Kowloon Peninsula. With Chinese centres at Yau-mat, Shamshuipo, Kowloon City, and elsewhere we cannot see the force of Mr. Lo's objection to Europeans asking for a place for themselves at the farthest point of this particular area. Such a reservation would dispossess nobody and, rightly viewed, would not hurt anyone's susceptibilities.

### The China Pony.

We cannot help thinking that at this evening's extraordinary general meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club there ought to be a great deal of support for the resolutions which are down on the agenda paper. The only object, apparently, of those who caused the resolutions to be framed and submitted is that Hongkong shall not become the dumping ground for mix-bred ponies which have been debarred in Shanghai and Tientsin. And with that object we entirely sympathise. If ponies, cross-bred and possessing a greater turn of speed than the average China pony, are allowed to race in China pony classes, there will be a premium on such ponies and it is always the men with the longest purses who will eventually buy them. The small owner, to whose support the Jockey Club owes a lot, must be protected and ponies must be kept to one particular breed. As the question will arise here, as it has already arisen in Shanghai, what exactly is a China pony the best course to adopt is to leave it to a Committee to pronounce on individual animals. There are certain easily recognisable points about a China pony, as distinct from mix-bred ponies, and the Committee's decision can be made binding. Such a step as to-night's resolutions aim at, will do away with the fear of the small owners and will make racing here as sporty and as fair as it has always been.

### It Didn't Pay.

As a result of the General Election, Mr. Baldwin finds himself in a far less favourable position than he enjoyed prior to the Dissolution. Whereas previously he could count on a substantial majority over all other parties combined, he finds that the Liberal and Labour Parties far outnumber the Conservative M.P.s. Thus the net result of the election is to greatly weaken his party's strength. Whilst we can quite foresee the possibility of the Liberals agreeing to offer no unnecessary opposition to the Government, yet, on the other hand, there is always the danger that on an issue of first-rate importance the Opposition parties may join hands and outvote the Government. In other words, the Conservatives are dependent for their continuation in

### DAY BY DAY.

SAVING A NATION FROM POLITICIANS SOMETIMES FEELS LIKE SAVING A WOMAN FROM PIRATES.—Mr. G. A. Chesterton.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Taggart left by the s.s. President Jackson.

Cricketer Notes, with cartoons, by "The Armchair Critic," will appear to-morrow.

Lieut.-Col. S. F. Heard, R.A.P.C., has proceeded Home on six months' sick leave.

Major F. W. Greenhill, O.B.E., of the Loyal Regiment, has been promoted Lieutenant Colonel.

At to-morrow's meeting of the Legislative Council there are six new Bills down for first reading.

His Majesty the King has appointed Major General Sir John Fowler as Colonel Commandant, Royal Corps of Signals.

There will be a Musicales at the Helena May Institute to-morrow Thursday December 13th, 5.30 p.m. Tickets, 50 cents each, are to be obtained from the Secretary.

We have received from Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co., Ltd., a very effective calendar bearing a finely-coloured picture of two setter dogs in action, entitled "Alert."

During last week, there were 107 cases of small-pox reported, one being British and the rest Chinese. There were 87 deaths. There were also seven cases of enteric (one British, one Japanese and the rest Chinese) notified, two cases being fatal.

The Italian Opera Company have only two more nights at the Star. To-night they present "Mignon," and to-morrow their farewell bill is "Traviata." It is probable that to-morrow night's house will be a record, as "Traviata" has been insistently by the public ever since the Company came here.

The ranch at Universal City, California, used in the making of Universal pictures, together with leased acreage in the San Fernando valley, was tunnelled and bored for shafts and underground passages totalling six miles in length for the Hobart Henley Universal-Jewel production, "The Flame of Life," which comes to the World Theatre to-day.

A pleasant ceremony took place last week in the office of the Maritime Customs Works Department, Shanghai, when Mr. F. L. Raeburn, Supervisor, who is retiring from the service, was presented with handsome mementoes in the form of a silver tea and coffee service, etc., from the foreign members of the staff and an address and a silver vase from the Chinese. Mr. Raeburn is a veteran of the service, having been connected with it for 36 years.

Mr. W. Farmer Whyte, Editor-in-Chief of the *Singapore Daily Telegraph*, has lately visited Singapore for the purpose of collecting at first hand information regarding the Naval Base, everything in connection with which is attracting so much attention in Australia. In the course of his enquiries he was taken over the Causeway and to Johore, to the Oil Reserve tanks, etc., by the Australian Government Trade Commissioner, and finally over the Naval Base site by the Commissioner, and Mr. Cole of the Naval Department. Mr. Farmer Whyte is now on his way to Australia via Java, where he will collect the Dutch view on the naval situation on the Pacific and South Seas.

office on the whim of the Liberal-Labour combine. It may well be that neither of these last-named parties wants another election yet awhile, but the mere fact that Mr. Baldwin has to take count of possible joint opposition must of itself greatly hamper the Government in its policy—it cannot be so definite and clear-cut in its proposals as it could afford to be before the election took place. Thus, however long the Government may stand, there is little likelihood of its gaining a reputation for strength of purpose. One thing is certain, namely, that no interference with the present fiscal system will be tolerated by the Opposition. The result of the election makes that abundantly clear.

### CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

#### LECTURE AT THE CITY HALL.

A lecture on Christian Science was given to a large audience by Mr. Frank H. Leonard, C.S.B., of Chicago, Illinois, at the Chamber of Commerce room, City Hall, yesterday.

Mr. D.G.M. Bernard, who presided, said:—The purpose of this lecture is to present the subject of Christian Science correctly, and to bear testimony to the facts regarding the life and work of its discoverer and founder, Mary Baker Eddy. The lecturer is Mr. Frank H. Leonard, C.S.B., of Chicago, Illinois, a member of the Board of Lectureship of the Mother Church, The First Church of Christ Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts. When Christian Science was first presented to me, I found it difficult to understand and wondered how so many people could really believe in what I thought it taught. But on closer investigation it became apparent to me that it was not Christian Science but my wrong conception of it that had made it appear difficult, and I also learnt that the healing of sin and disease is the natural and logical effect of an understanding of the truth about God and man revealed in Christian Science. I hope that the explanation of Christian Science this afternoon will enable you to gain a clearer idea of what it is, and why it is bringing health and happiness to the homes of a large and ever-growing number of people in the world to-day.

In the course of his lecture, Mr. Leonard said:—Every one who has ever heard of the teachings of the Bible wants to believe them true. There has never been a time in the history of the world when there was greater need for proof of their truth than to-day. Christian Science stands more than any modern teaching ever has done as this proof. The name which Mrs. Eddy gave to her discovery "Christian Science" means simply that the works of our Master are always true and therefore always may be done if we really believe on Him, for He said, "He that believeth on me the works that I do shall he do also." It therefore offers the world what it has never had since the third century, i.e. that spiritual conception of God which enables us to worship Him in "spirit and in truth," and so regain man's birthright and heritage of dominion over "The World, the flesh and all evil." Christian Science is not predicated upon a few passages in the Bible. It is based upon the Bible from the first word in the first chapter of Genesis to the last word in the last chapter of Revelations, and when we study the Bible with the aid of the Text-book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy, we will find in the Bible nothing which can be said to be contradictory, for all these things are cleared up, and the Bible becomes one great glorious theme about the infinity of God, in whom we can trust, and in whom we live and move and have our being. We worship only God, and we adore His Son, our Lord and Master, and Mrs. Eddy we love with a love and a reverential respect that mere language is utterly inadequate to express. We love her for what she has given to us.

### TENANT SUMMONED.

#### IN LANDLORD'S ABSENCE

T. Tanaka, Japanese photographer, the occupier of No. 8 Rose Terrace, Kowloon, was summoned by Mr. J. A. Fraser, Secretary of the Sanitary Board, at the Magistracy this morning, for not repairing the broken and defective condition of the ground renderings of the kitchen wall.

Mr. Fraser explained that the Department had tried on ten different occasions to serve the notice on the owner. He was stated to have claimed disability, but, according to the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, if the owner was not available, the agent was responsible, and, failing this, the actual occupier was responsible. That was how Tanaka had been brought into the case. The work had since been done.

Mr. E. W. Hamilton remarked that if the owner was sane enough to receive money (i.e. the rent) he was sane enough to have received the summons. As the work had since been completed, defendant would be discharged.

### WORK OF THE LEAGUE.

#### MR. POLLOCK'S INTERESTING LECTURE.

There was a large audience in the Cathedral hall yesterday evening to listen to an interesting lecture on the constitution and work of the League of Nations by the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K. C. The lecture was given under the auspices of the Church of England Men's Society.

Mr. Pollock at the outset pointed out that the League did not include all the nations of the world, among the notable absentees being the United States of America and Russia. One meeting a year was held, at Geneva, while the Council met four times annually. The British Empire, France, Italy and Japan were permanent members of the Council, the other nations electing non-permanent representatives.

The lecturer proceeded to summarise the objects of the League, and passed on to instances of the very good work it was performing, including the settlement of international disputes. Apart from matters of world peace, there were also the achievements of the League in suppressing harmful and immoral trafficking of all kinds. It had done a great deal towards checking the "white slave" traffic, and was interesting itself in arms and drugs. By the League's efforts, much has been done to stamp out disease or prevent its spread. One of the main concerns of this association of nations has also been the protection of minorities and the helping and repatriation of refugees.

As Mr. Pollock pointed out at the conclusion, the League deserved the hearty support and encouragement of those who were anxious to see the peaceful and economic reconstruction of Europe.

### CHARITY "DRAW".

#### GET YOUR TICKETS SOON.

The attention of our readers is invited to the announcement, on another page, of the St. Vincent de Paul Society's grand charity draw. There remain but a few more days in which to secure tickets, and the announcement reminds us that it is not safe to postpone buying these until the evening of the Fete (16th December) as in 1920 and 1921 the last ticket was sold before the opening of the Fete. Tickets, which are only \$5 each, may be obtained at: the Hongkong Hotel Company's Motor Show-rooms; the Hongkong Cigar Store; the Brunswick Studio, Ice House Street; Messrs. Lazarus & Co.; Mee Cheong's branch in the Hongkong Hotel; Messrs. Wiseman & Company; the Alexandra Cafe and the Blue Bird Cafe.

The Al Fresco Fete will be held on Sunday, the 16th December, under the patronage of His Excellency the Governor. Over 12,000 toys and other articles have been specially imported from Europe and America and a splendid display is promised in the various stalls. There will, of course, be the usual side shows (Aunt Sally, Lucky Wheel, Shooting Gallery, etc.) and tea and refreshment rooms. The band of the East Surrey Regiment will play both in the afternoon and evening.

### JACKIE COOGAN.

#### Now in "Trouble."

"When a feller needs a friend, he usually can find one in his dog." That's the way Jackie Coogan feels about Queenie, who played such a conspicuous role in "Peck's Bad Boy" with the little screen star.

Now Jackie and Queenie are both in trouble—not real trouble, but a picture called "Trouble," a First Nation attraction that will be seen at the Coronet Theatre next week.

In this as in "Peck's Bad Boy" Queenie is the patient pal of Jackie and sticks to him through sunshine and storm. He plays the role of an orphan and because the authorities of the home won't have Queenie, he runs away and it is there his troubles begin.

The play has been compared to "The Kid," in which Jackie made his screen debut and the little fellow is said to do the very best work of his brief but brilliant career in it.



## MUTINY AT SEA.

## BOAT DUE TO-MORROW.

During the past two days stories have been published in the local newspaper with regard to a telegraphic report received here that mutiny had broken out on board the s.s. Paul Regenzanz whilst on her way from Singapore to Hongkong. We have to-day interviewed the local agents for the steamer, Messrs. N. V. Carl Bodiker and Co., and learn the following facts:

The steamer is not one of the regular Rickmers Line vessels, but is a chartered ship, flying the Panama flag. She is now German owned and has a German crew. The boat is on a trip from Hamburg to Hongkong and news has already been received here that there was trouble whilst the boat was in Colombo, being delayed about ten days on account of insubordination on the part of the crew. Nothing further was heard until a telegram was received stating that a mutiny had broken out whilst the boat was near to Naxos Island, between Hongkong and Singapore, and that, in consequence she had been adrift for 24 hours. There are no details to hand yet regarding what actually occurred, but a wireless message has been received from the Captain of the ship saying that he is now on his way to Hongkong (probably at half-speed) and expects to arrive here to-morrow at about noon.

Arrangements have been made for the ship to go to the quarantine anchorage, where she will fly the police flag until an investigation has been made by the Agents and the Consuls interested. Until that investigation has been completed, it is impossible to learn details of the occurrence.

## CRICKET.

## I. R. C. V. UNIVERSITY.

The following will represent the University 1st XI in a friendly match against I. R. C. 1st XI to be played at home on Saturday, the 15th inst. at 2.15 p.m. sharp:

A. A. Rumjahn (Capt.), H. N. Balhetcher, E. K. Quick, M. H. Roffey, A. S. Hett, W. M. Gittins, T. O. Yeow, M. B. Osman, C. A. Peterson, S. Hachima and B. P. Ng.

The following will represent the University 2nd XI in a League match against the I. R. C. 2nd XI to be played on the latter's ground on Saturday, the 15th inst. at 2.15 p.m. sharp:—Messrs. J. L. Youngs, H. Y. Leong, A. T. Barma, M. A. Kyun, A. Hoalim, C. W. Lam, H. Hunt, W. H. Sling and V. F. R. Vicaajee.

The following will represent the H.K.C.C. 2nd XI team against R. E. at Happy Valley will be:—H. E. Hollands (Capt.), E. C. Hagen, C. R. Baron, J. K. Owen, R. M. Macalpine, H. Griffin, H. H. Taylor, G. H. Pierce, D. Reid, F. C. Miller and D. E. G. Nicholson.

## A PUZZLE A DAY.

BOASTER  
O S E E  
A E S  
S E E  
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E T  
R E S E N T S

Above is shown an incomplete "word square" which contains seven words of seven letters each. Notice how "boaster" and "resents" may be read either from left to right or formed top to bottom. The diagonal formed by the letters "E" furnishes a clue to the five missing words. Can you complete the square?

Yesterday's answer:

The man who was unable to tell the names of the crossing, because the sign post had fallen down, discovered which street was which very easily. He stood the post upright. As the name plates were at right angles to each other, there was only one way to set the sign so the name plates could be properly read, so the stranger had no difficulty in getting the post up correctly.

## FOOTBALL DINNER.

## THE CHINESE TOUR IN AUSTRALIA.

The Committee of the South China Athletic Association last night gave a dinner at the Yee Wo Hotel, West Point, in honour of the manager and members of the Chinese football team which has just returned after a successful tour in Australia. There was an attendance of some two hundred, and amongst the guests were Mr. G. T. May and Mr. James, Chairman and Hon. Secretary respectively of the Hongkong Football Association.

During the evening a number of speeches were delivered in Chinese by the Chairman, Mr. Wong Kam-ying, and by Mr. Mok Hing, manager of the team in Australia. A speech in English was also delivered by Mr. Un Chan Chau-fan, Hon. Secretary of the South China Athletic Association, who referred to the success of the team's tour in Australia, both in play and in the team's popularity with the people. After speaking of the value of international sport and cultivating better understanding between the people of various countries, Mr. Un made a reference to the alleged exploitation of the tour for private ends and explained the S. C. A. A.'s action in the matter. He said they did not gain a good knowledge of the project until some ten days before the team left, after which they spared no effort to make it a success. A sum of nearly \$1,000 was subscribed, but this was insufficient and the Association had to make up the balance. If the Association had not taken it up, the project would have failed. It was regrettable that there was a good deal of trouble and misunderstanding, but most of this would have been avoided if there had been a proper central athletic organisation in China.

## PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per P. & O. s.s. Soudan from Shanghai: Mr. F. Herbold, Mr. P. Markham, Mr. A. Parlas, Miss O. Parkina, Mr. R. Leigh, Mr. H. Pudamsey.

Per s.s. Patroclus, 11th December. From Liverpool: Eng. Comdr. D. C. Bennett, R.N., Mr. and Mrs. David Kay Gwyn, Master D. K. Gwyn, Capt. W. A. Crawford, Miss H. Gilbert, Mr. Chas. Labadie, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. McWhirter, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Miller, Miss H. A. Ozburn, Mrs. J. A. Plummer, Mr. J. A. H. Plummer, Lady Stables, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Alma Stevenson, Lady Stuart Taylor, Miss L. E. Taylor, Miss E. K. Baker, Mrs. M. Tinson, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. White, Master P. K. White, Lord Alton, Mr. J. W. Matthews, from Singapore: Mr. G. H. Bell, Mr. J. R. Gluscock, Mr. R. K. Johnson, Mr. M. S. Lawton, Mr. Wallace Lee, Mr. and Mrs. T. Miller, Mr. E. Quinlan, Mr. and W. A. Southerton, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Tompkins, Mr. Y. T. Tam, Mr. J. M. White.

## PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per s.s. President Taft, Mr. Carlos Cerbano, Miss M. Faras, Mr. H. C. Henderson, Mrs. S. Keenan, Lt.-Com. J. R. Brooke, Mr. M. Reyes, Mr. A. Kerner, Mr. J. Rabitt, Mr. W. M. Butts, Miss Bernice Krimbel, Mr. T. H. G. Brayfield, Mr. F. A. Cadden, Mr. Geo. C. Dankworth, Rev. J. Haarmann, Mr. Pedro Lopez, Mr. Rafael Lopez, Mr. Juan Londahl, Mr. W. H. Lambert, Miss Sarah McDavitt, Mr. Wm. Nunn, Mrs. S. D. Prather, Mr. Alfred Powers. Per s.s. President Jackson: Mr. Colin J. Sabiston, Mr. A. R. Hager, Miss Floy A. Cooley, Mr. John Wilfred Wilson, Mr. John W. Bandow, Mr. L. G. Rowe, Mrs. R. Marquett, Mr. Eardley T. Maitland, Miss Clara Hedburg, Mr. John Bennett, Mrs. Susan Bennett, Mr. Frank H. Leonard, Mr. T. E. Lake, Mr. Geo. T. Webster, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Spittel, Dr. Mary L. Mack, Mrs. J. Caddel Garrick, Miss C. I. Caddel Garrick, Miss B. K. Caddel Garrick, Mr. & Mrs. J. H. Taggart, Mr. & Mrs. E. E. Lord, Miss Lord, Mr. & Mrs. Basil Sayegh, Mr. & Mrs. A. C. H. Palmer, Mrs. S. Holmes, Miss S. Holmes, Mr. C. Lacey, Mr. & Mrs. J. M. A. Fay, Miss Goldberg, Mr. Thomas Neave, Mr. H. E. Vanderwerkin, Mrs. M. Maclean, Mr. G. D. Happer, Mr. G. W. Sheppard, Mr. R. Baude, Lieut. Sesto Sestern, Mr. S. Thompson, Mr. W. L. Eaton, Mr. S. J. Burn.

## RECENT PIRACY.

## NO ARRESTS YET MADE.

With a view to ascertaining whether conditions on the Pearl River and adjacent waterways had improved since the strong representations made by the Japanese Consul General at Canton in consequence of the piracy of the Taito Maru, a Telegraph representative interviewed the Japanese Consul General at Canton during the week-end. It was learned that beyond a promise to look into the matter, which must be taken as having been or is being carried out, no further development had occurred either in the production of the culprits or the recovery of any portion of the stolen property.

It was believed by the Consul that there was no necessity to look very far for the robbers. They could be identified as the villagers in the vicinity of the outrage, who had managed in some way to obtain arms to make the recent piracy effective.

The Commissioner of Customs, Mr. Parr, said in an interview that no arrest had been made, to his knowledge, but a report had come through that the pilot, who was amongst those taken away for ransom, was now kept in chains and miserably treated. Things must have come to a very bad pass when those one would expect to have set a good example of crime and even took a leading part in it. These were certain military commanders or civil officers in the outlying districts, whose guilt in this respect was more pronounced than that of others.

During the interview, Mr. Parr mentioned that from time to time evidence was secured by the Customs, in the shape of counterfeit coins, which showed that mints were being established in various parts of the province which were turning out remarkably good copies of the genuine article. The province was flooded with this false money, and the other day the Customs seized a large haul amounting to a thousand dollars in face value.

## THE INNOCENT ABROAD.

## Filipino Confidence Trick Victim.

A Filipino doctor, Fortunato O. Chisco, at the Mansion House on Nov. 6, prosecuted Daniel Melaney, 31, commission agent, charged with being concerned with another man not in custody in stealing \$400 on Oct. 30 by a confidence trick.

Prosecutor said he was on a visit to England and met a man, who gave the name of J.W. Williams, in Southampton-row, on Oct. 29. Witness met him again on the 30th, and in Great Tower-street they saw the defendant ahead of them drop a glove. Williams picked up the glove and gave it back to the defendant. All three then got into conversation. Defendant said he was heir to an estate of 240,000 pounds and was to be distributed among the poor caused by the war, irrespective of creed or nationality. Defendant offered each £1,000 for distribution among the poor if they proved they had means. Witness changed a note for 18,000 dollars into English money, and later with Williams met defendant again. Defendant had a cash-box which, he said, contained £2,000. Defendant asked witness to trust him with his money and witness handed over his pocket-book. Defendant and Williams then left. As they did not return witness took the cash-box to the police. It was empty. Defendant was committed for trial.

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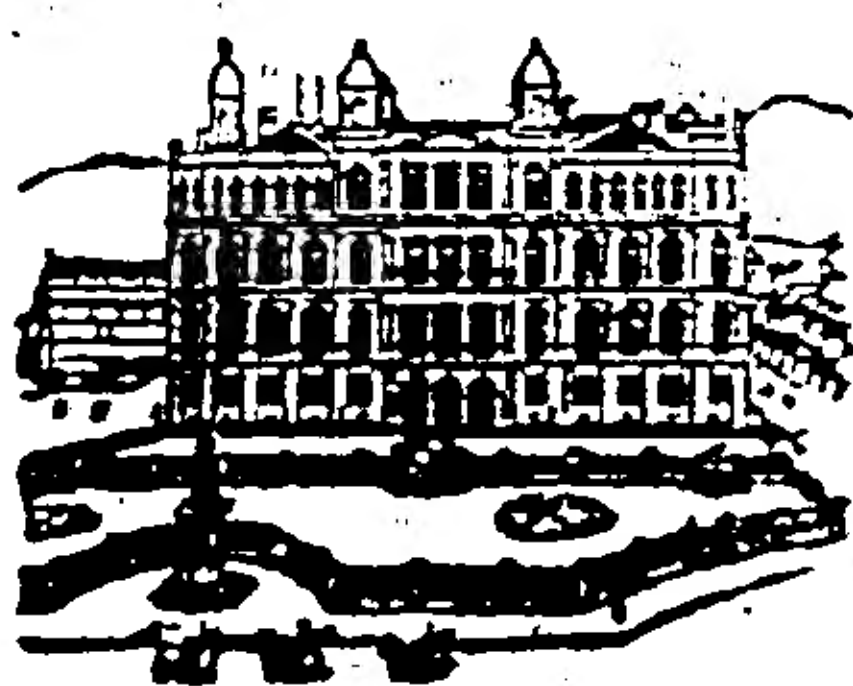
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The chills and thrills that we receive.  
The doubts and qualms that make us quiver,  
Our doctors teach us to believe  
They may be love—they may be liver!

When Dante, long ago, was led  
To sing to Beatrice his lyrics  
(Which are much praised but seldom read)  
Perhaps some medical empirics  
Would so have altered Dante's mood  
That he'd have ceased to shake and shiver  
When lovely Beatrice he viewed;  
What was his ailment, love—or liver?

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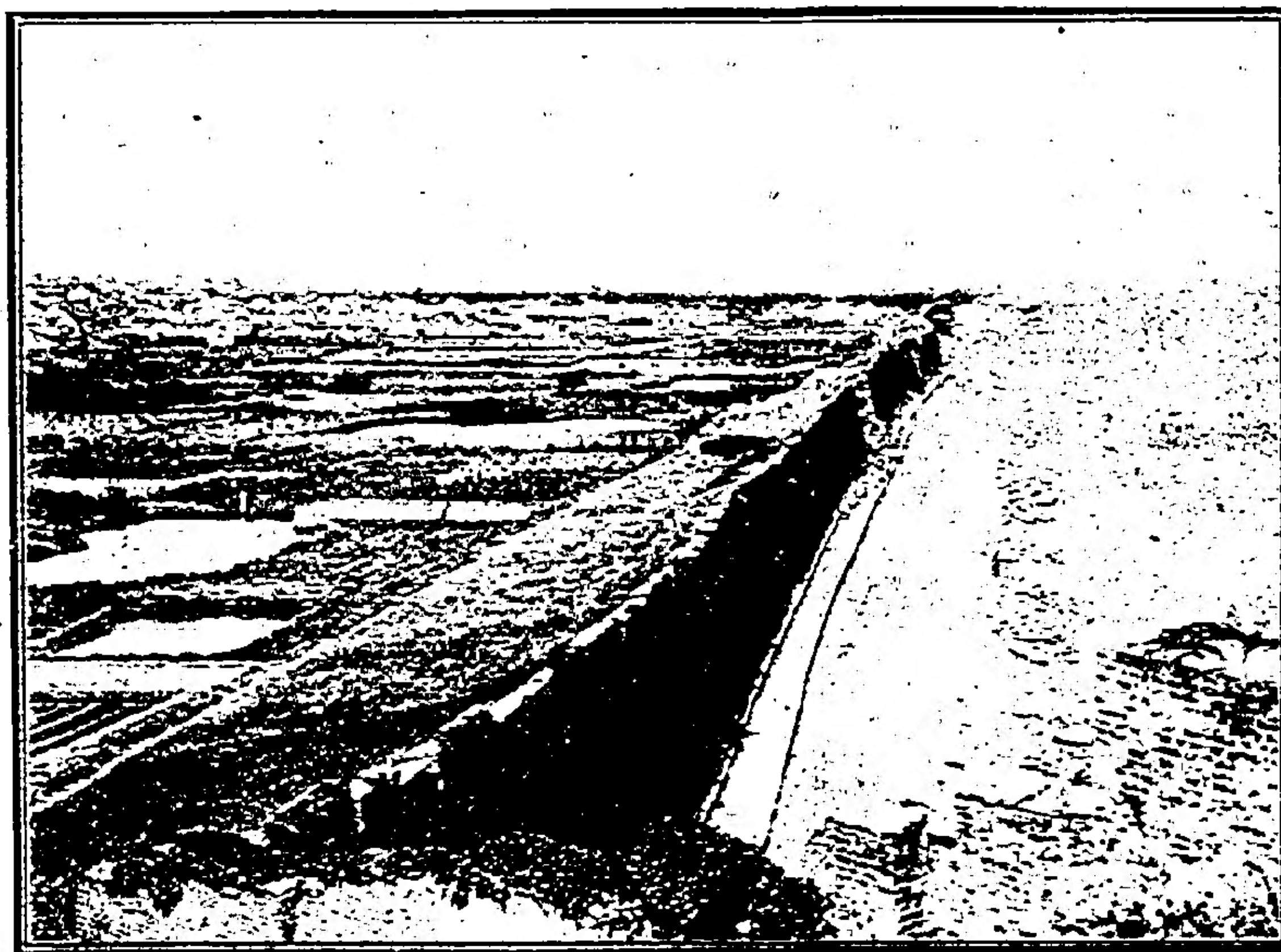
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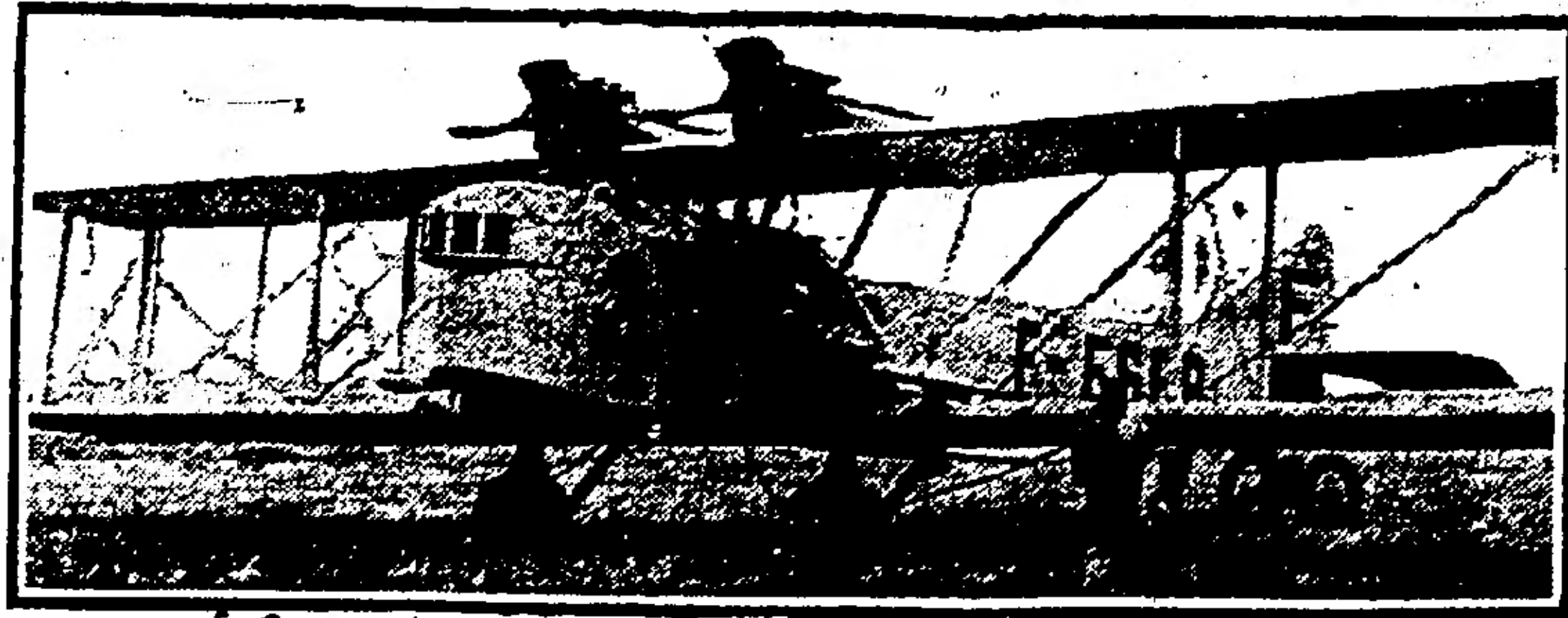
The sea wall of Chinkai, Chekiang, which has been repaired, is a testimonial to the efforts of the Chinese and Foreign Famine Relief Committee, and Chekiang officials and merchants. The cost of repairing the wall was \$150,000. Above are seen members of the Committee.



Here is a picture of the seawall referred to above.



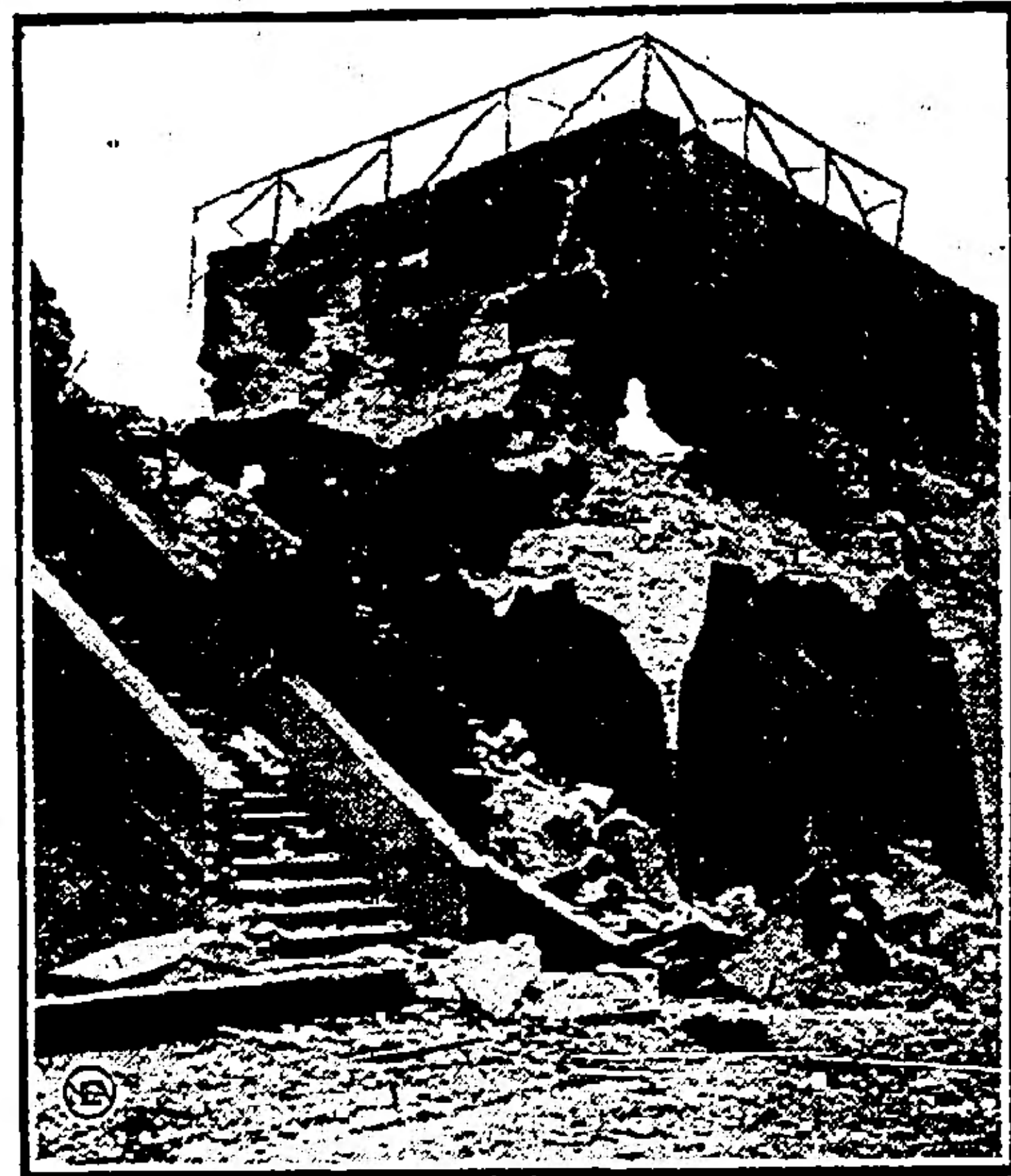
Shanghai Hounds ran down a large wild cat recently. The cat has been mounted and is now on exhibition in the Royal Asiatic Society Museum.



A few aerial monsters like this one can rush a formidable army to the front in no time. It's France's latest type transport plane. It's equipped with four 180-horsepower motors. Two are on the upper wing. This particular ship's official designation is the Blériot IV.



The quadruplets, shown above, have just started school at Hollis, U.S.A. They're the daughters of Mrs. M. F. Keys of that city, who styles herself "the world's luckiest mother."



Following destruction of all of Germany's big guns under terms of the reparations treaty, allied forces are now putting "finishing touches" on what was once the Krupp proving grounds at Essen. Photo shows some neat work on Big Bertha turrets, lying amid their shelled and dynamited ruins.



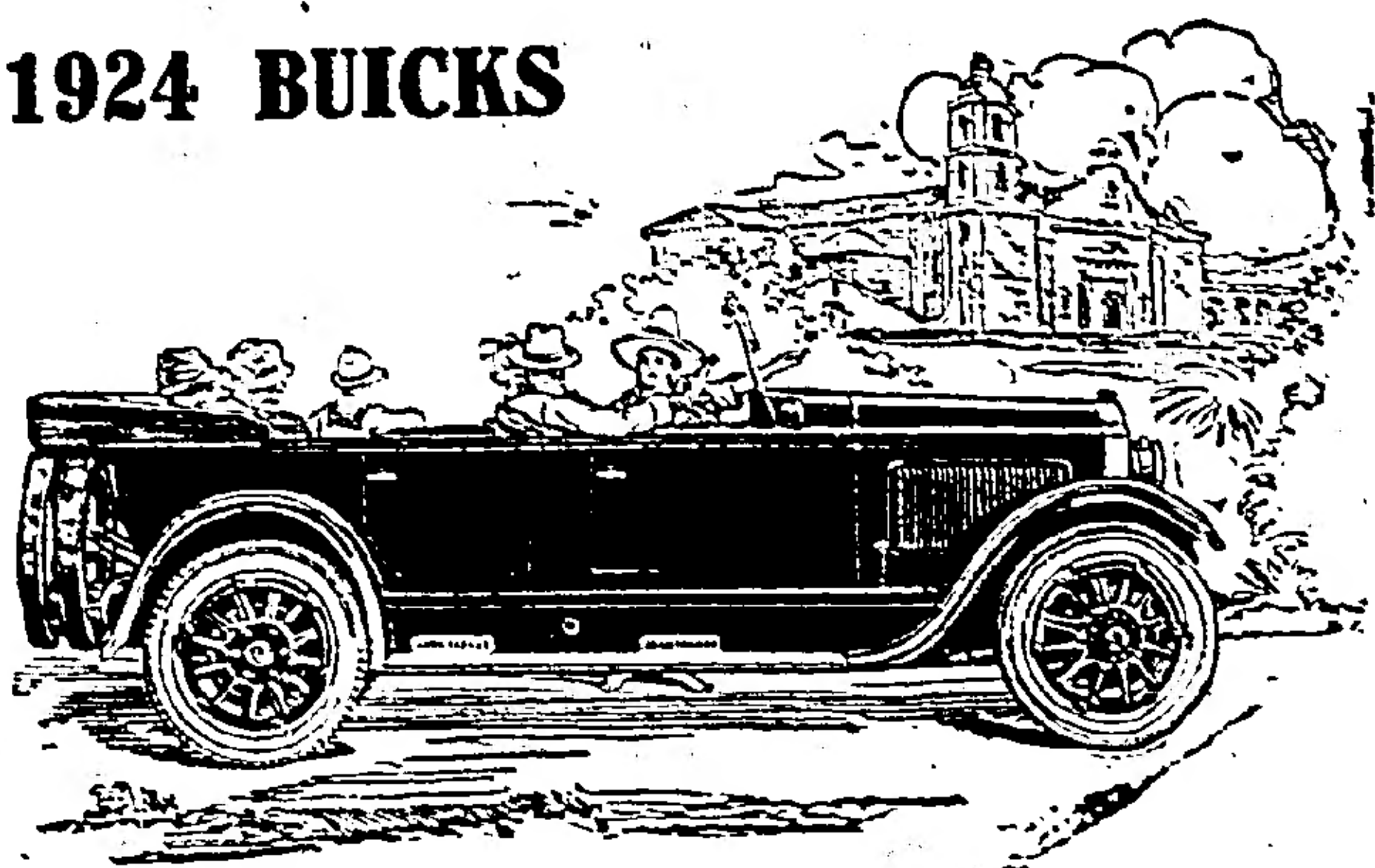
Firm friends are these two, a dog and a rabbit. They are inseparable pals, and even sleep together in their South London home.



One trainman was killed and several others shaken up when a fast fruit train, of 85 cars, struck an open switch at Litchfield, piling up on the main right of way and blocking traffic for a complete day. Photo shows the wreckage.



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## RADIO NOTES AND NEWS.

### A CHAT ON RECEIVING AERIALS.

In the course of an article in *Popular Wireless Weekly*, Capt. C.C.J. Frost says:—I feel that a consideration of one's own aerial is of the utmost importance to all listeners, whether they are using a crystal, valve, or multivalve installation.

The other day a visitor came to see me from France, and he told me that he knew "nothing about anything" to do with wireless. He possesses a powerful valve instrument, and ascribed his poor results to it, or to a falling off in efficiency of the broadcasting station.

(By the way, lots of people blame the broadcasting station before they have made quite sure that the falling off in signal strength is not due to their own set, aerial, earth, or to the hundred and one causes which may possibly be responsible.)

At any rate, my visitor, in the course of conversation, remarked, "Of course, it can't be my aerial, it is 45 ft. in height and is supported on two masts having a span of over 120 yards (360 feet) completely across a cornfield."

It was only necessary, then, to explain to him the necessity of having an aerial of reasonable size. Had this gentleman known that his aerial should be in keeping with his receiving instrument the trouble which had been caused would never have occurred.

According to the regulations laid down by the Post Office an outdoor aerial's combined length and height should not exceed 100 ft. Many people are so placed that they are unable to erect an outside aerial and have to content themselves with one inside their house. I know of many delighted crystal set users who are obtaining really excellent results at a distance of from 12 to 15 miles from London with an aerial supported on insulators in the lofts of their houses.

Some have spanned the length of the house with a twin wire aerial, and others have spread the aerial wire around the circumference of the loft. One listener whom I know obtains quite good results from a crystal set with an aerial hung from a balcony in the back of the house and swinging in mid air—its tautness being obtained by means of a weight secured to an insulator at the bottom. This is not, of course, a commendable type of aerial—induction being possible from the electric light wiring of the house—but, having a flat on the first floor, and no facilities for an aerial, he hit upon this idea.

Another indoor aerial in use with a crystal set at twelve miles from the London Broadcasting Station, and giving very excellent strength of signals, consists of two ordinary wooden coat hangers hanging to the picture rail around the room. On to each coat-hanger is screwed two porcelain cleats, the aerial wires passing diagonally across the room from coat-hanger to coat-hanger. The earth is fixed to the water-tap.

A rather interesting case of "screening" occurred with this listener. He lives in a flat on the ground floor. The occupant of the flat above erected an aerial in the loft of the house and as a result of this, our unfortunate friend of the lower flat lost 90 per cent. of signals. The user of a valve set can, of course, obtain excellent results from an indoor aerial. A short time ago my outside aerial broke and a piece of insulated cable laid along the floor of my flat, which is an upstairs one, was sufficient to give me very excellent signals.

Many and various are the cases reported where people have obtained excellent reception of other types of aerials, but the outdoor type always scores when it is possible to erect one in that way.

On one occasion, when I was using an indoor aerial, a lady who had come to "listen in" asked me how it was that the ether wave could reach my aerial when the windows of the room were closed. In case any of my readers are a little hazy on this point, I would point out that the ether wave is not interrupted in its passage by anything which is a non-conductor of electricity—such as dry buildings constructed of stone or brickwork.

If, however, the building possesses a steel framework then the steel, being a conductor of electricity, tends to obstruct the passage of the wave and causes "screening." In the same way, an aerial so situated as to be surrounded by trees or which has a tree between it and the direction of the broadcasting station may suffer from "screening." The trees have sap continually flowing in them, and are good conductors of electricity, hence they screen the aerial. Certain districts have deposits of ore and the much-talked-of "blind spot" is the result.

In conclusion, let me urge again the importance of ensuring that your insulators are sound, and that no possible leakage is occurring to earth. Make sure that the aerial does not come into contact with anything in its span, and that the lead-in wire is well insulated as it enters the house. Talking of the span of the aerial reminds me of a very common complaint which listeners make to us. They write saying that even though they live at only a short distance (say up to twenty miles) from the broadcasting station, fading is occurring. This is, of course, not due to the same causes as are responsible for fading in long distance reception.

The listener who notices this phenomenon in his reception within 20 or 30 miles of the transmitting station would do well to tighten his aerial and to scan it thoroughly for possible leakage of current. A loose aerial is a com-



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mon cause of fading. It is very easy for an aerial to become slack, and an occasional inspection would well repay the listener.

### RECENT INVENTIONS.

Cie. Compteurs et Materiel D'usines a Gaz.—Valves.—A valve for operation by a poly-phase alternating current has two or more cathodes, one for each phase, or a cathode of considerable heat capacity is employed (1.5 amps. at 3 volts). Polished masses may be provided on the ends of the filament which is mounted on very fine supports to increase the heat capacity.

N. E. Osborn.—Valves, Lamps, etc.—Lamp black is placed on the lead in wire, and a metallic oxide is placed elsewhere in the container whereupon the valve, etc., may be aged by passing direct current, the heated carbon taking up the residual oxygen.

M.G. Andersen.—Telephones.—Advice enabling more than one person to listen to telephone conversations consists of a small perforated disc to which is attached one or more flexible tubes connecting to earpieces. The disc is placed within the ear of the listener at the receiver proper, the secondary listeners using these earpieces.

Dr. F.E. Huth Ges.—Valves.—Electrodes are made of chrom-

ium, which may be a coating over an iron or metal core. Chromium filaments may be oxide-coated.

Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co., Ltd.—Receiving systems.—For reducing interference from atmospheric incoming potentials are applied in opposition to the grids of two valves, a common plate circuit containing the receiver. The combined effect upon a train of waves is only a reduction in the telephone current, but a sudden impulse is practically balanced out.

H. L. Thomas.—Inductances. Coils of cellular structure formed by superimposed layers of helical turns are wound in coarse or open turns, leaving large gaps between the crossing points, which points are altered after every few turns.

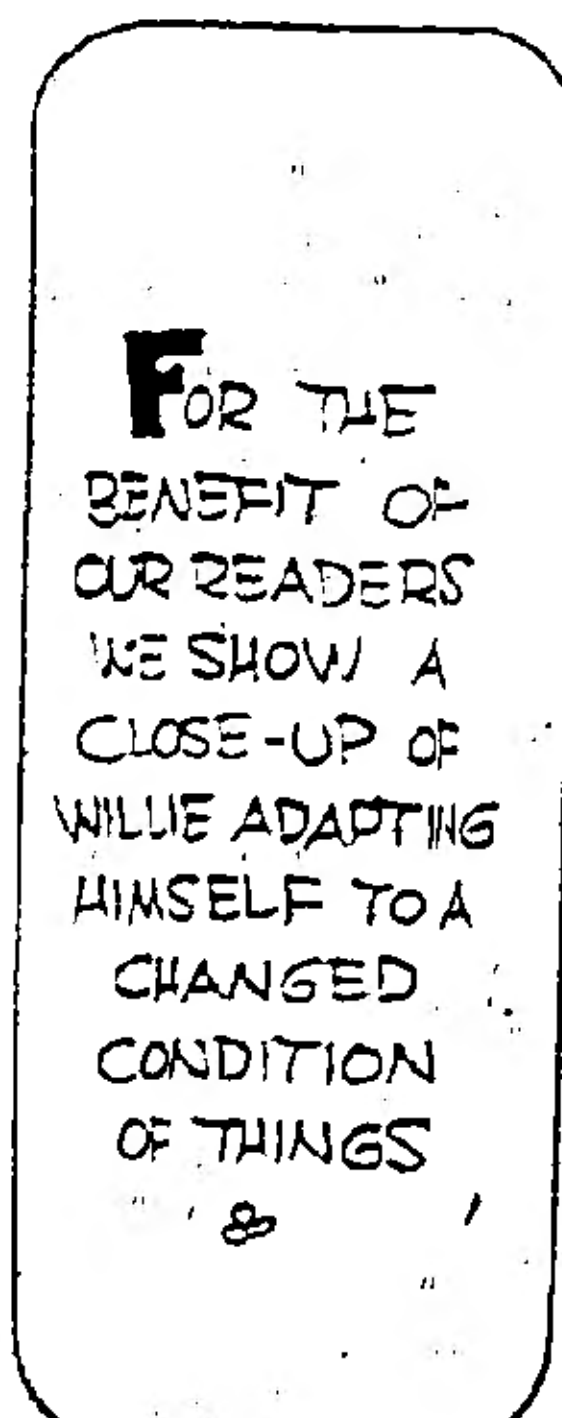
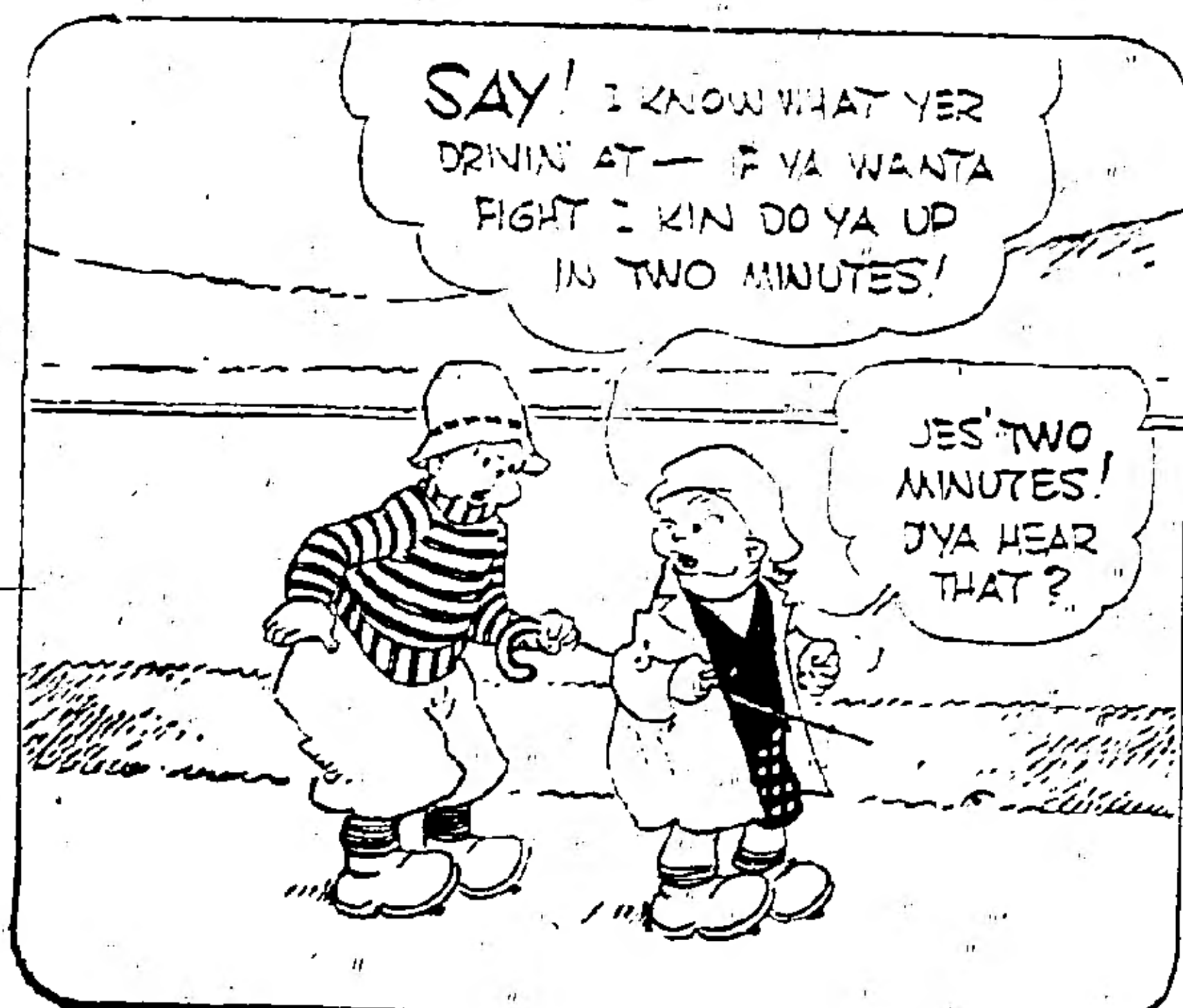
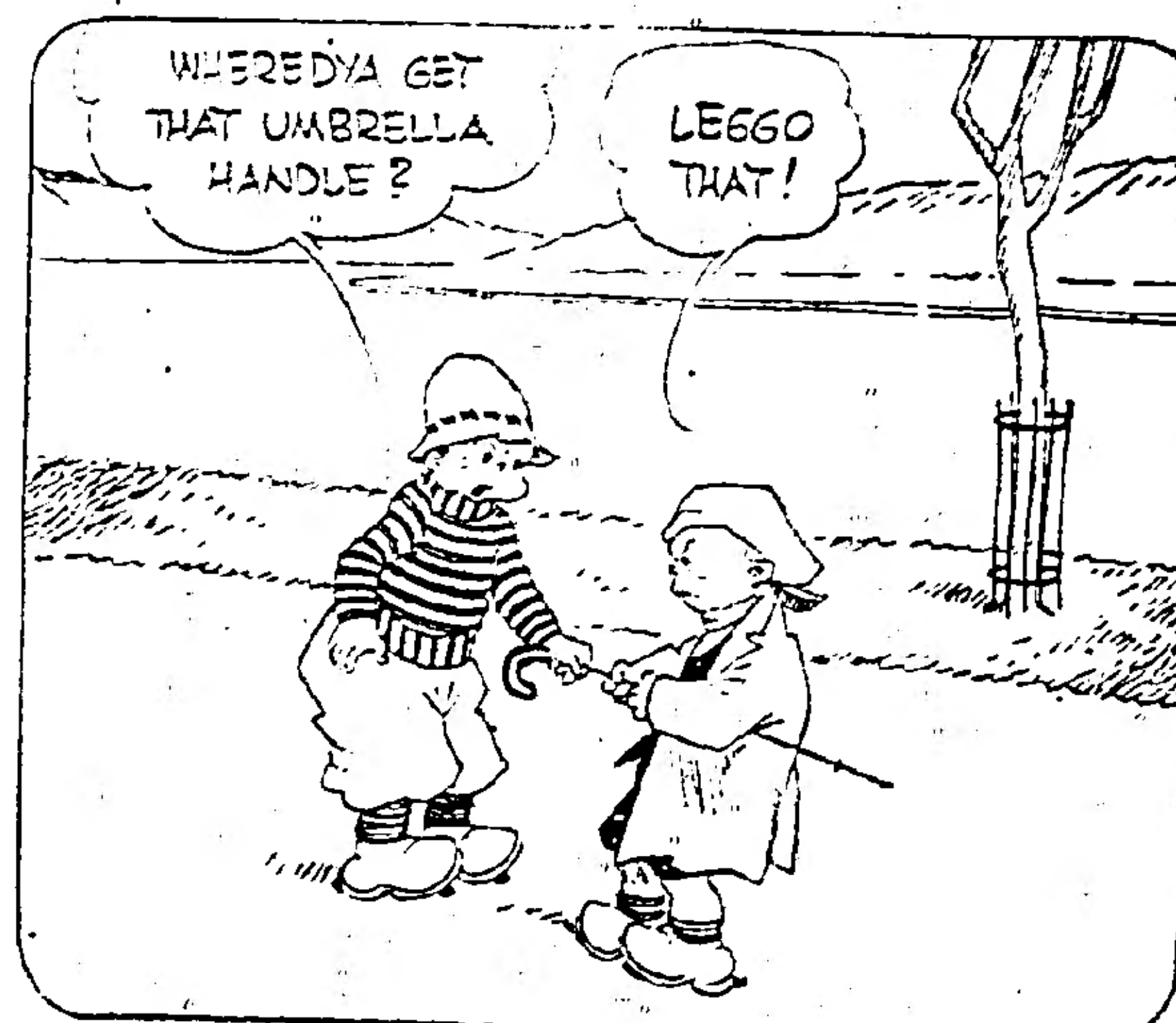
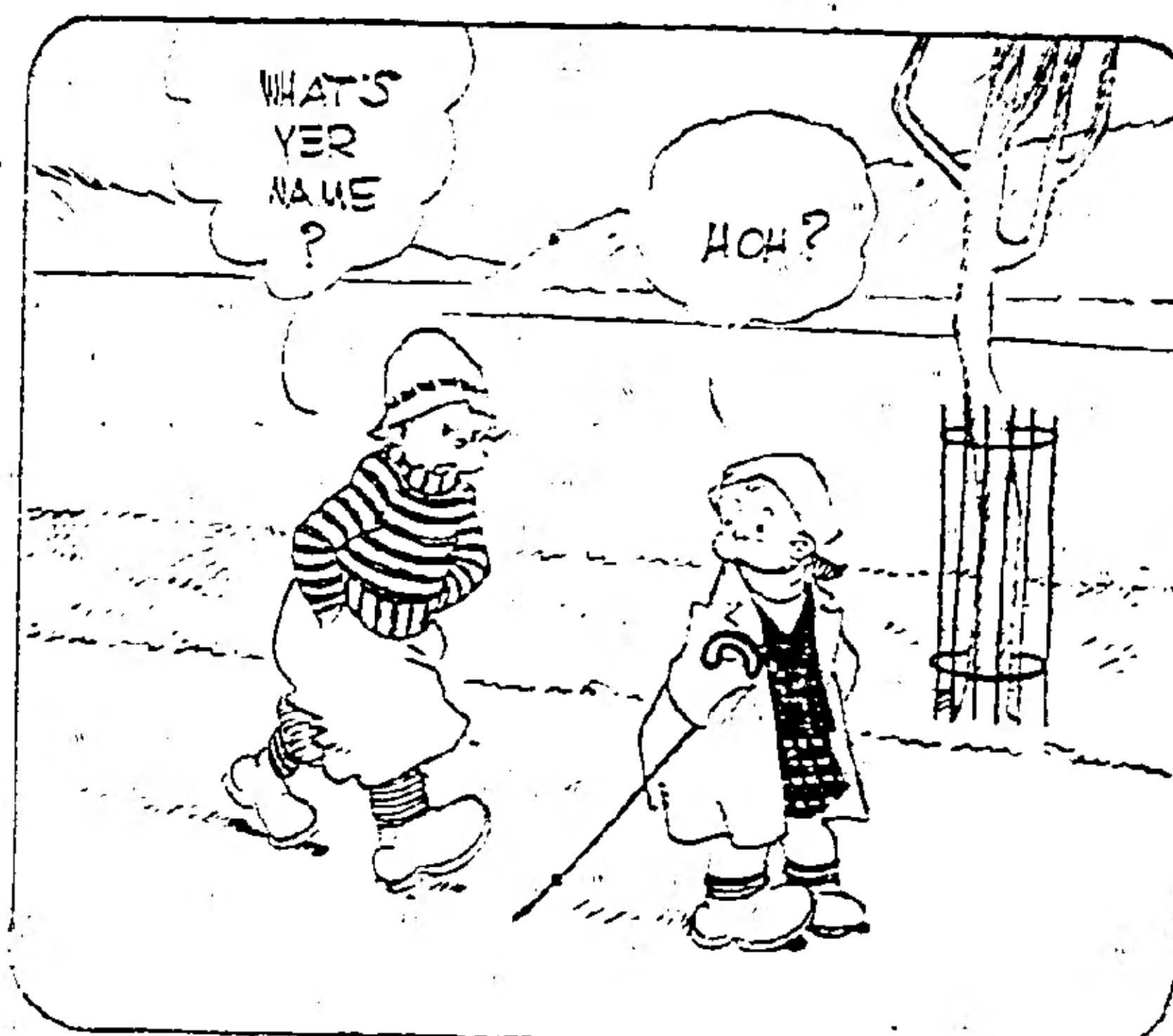
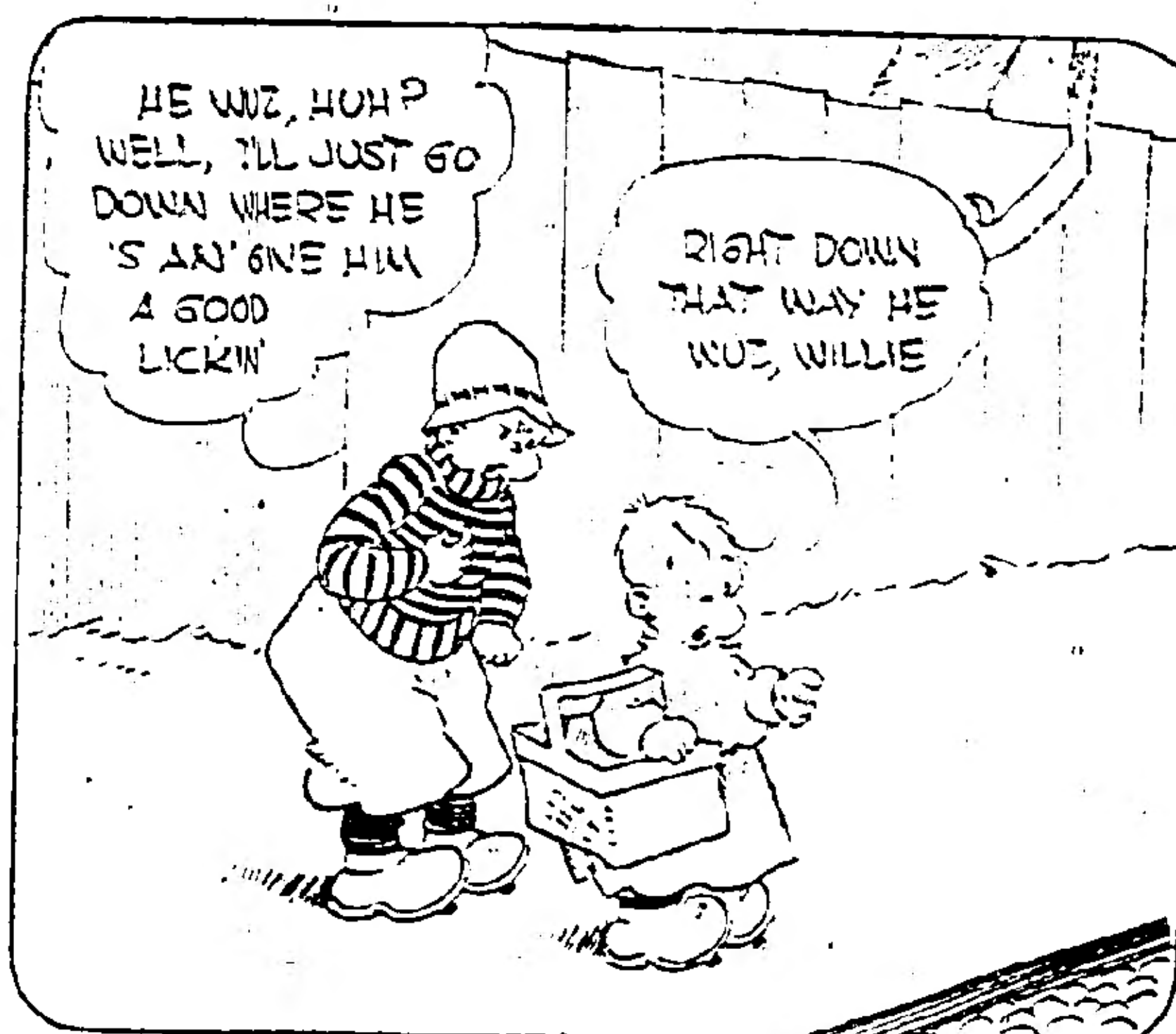
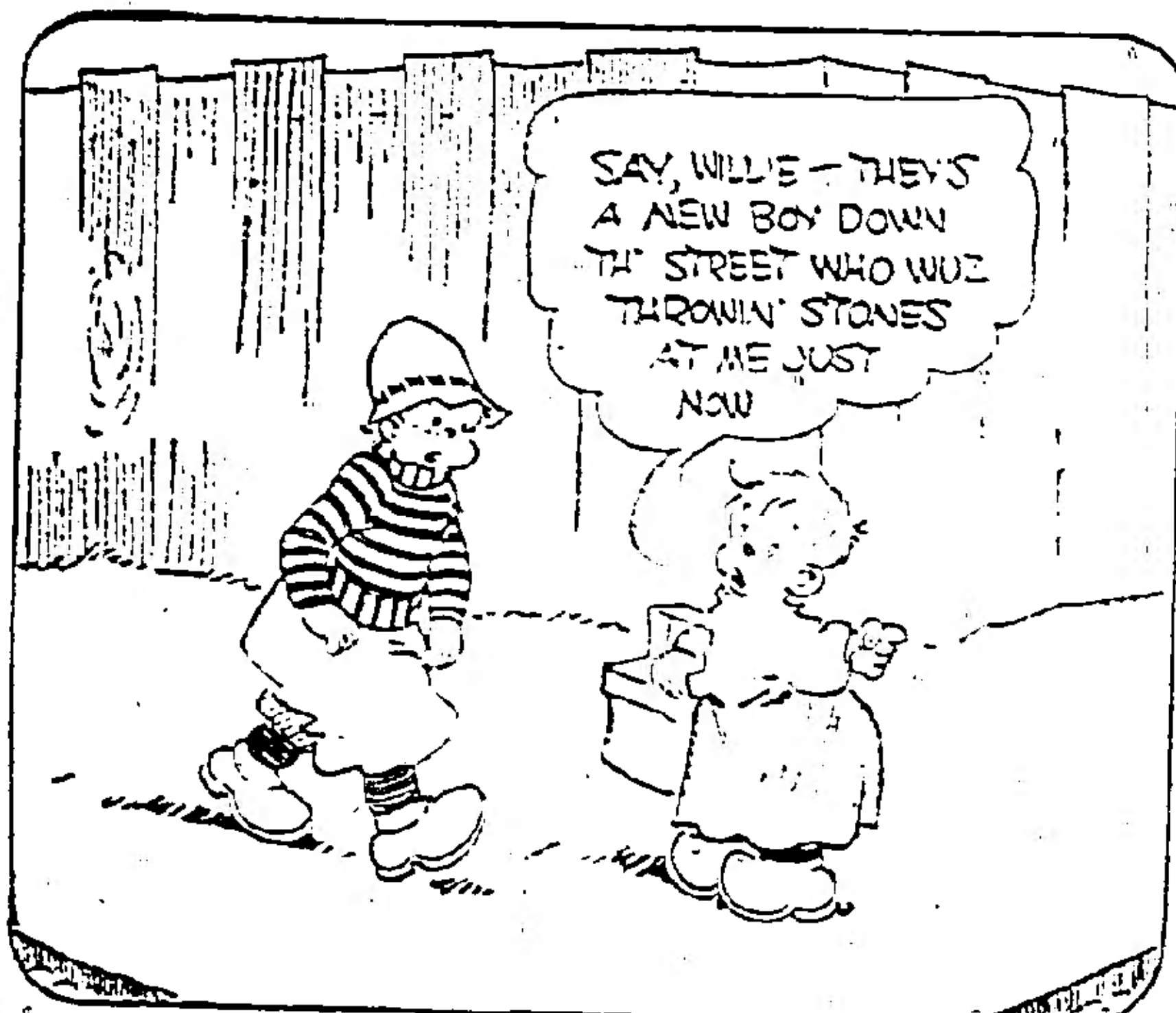
J. B. Bolitho.—Receiving Systems.—For eliminating static interferences, etc., from signal waves, a balancing circuit having a series of valves suppresses the signals but amplifies the interferences, which are then used to balance out the disturbance in the main receiving circuit.

J. Robinson and Others.—Directional Wireless.—Received signals operate pawl and ratchet mechanism, or control an electric motor, so as to rotate one or more loop aerials automatically into the critical directive position.



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SHANGHAI via Swatow Takasung	Sun.	23rd Dec. at 7 a.m.
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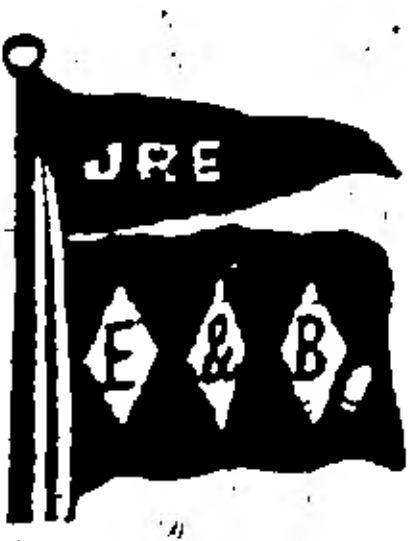
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Managers, The Douglas Steam-  
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change of ownership I have  
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Shipping Act, 1894, in respect  
of the ship "REPOSE" gross  
tonnage about 2300 tons, register  
tonnage about 1005, heretofore  
owned by U.S. Navy for the per-  
mission to change her name to  
"HAINING" and to have her  
registered in the new name at  
the port of HONGKONG as  
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## WEATHER REPORT.

Dec. 12d. 11h. 23m. Pressure  
has decreased moderately to  
slightly at all reporting stations  
except at Yap and Labuan where  
it has increased slightly.The anticyclone is now central  
over S. Manchuria.Fresh monsoon may be ex-  
pected along the S.E. coast of  
China and over the N. China Sea.  
Hongkong rainfall for the 24  
hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day,  
0.00 inch. Total since January  
1st, 106.31 inches, against an  
average of 83.40 inches.FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS  
ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.  
District. Forecast.1 Formosa Channel N.E. winds,  
strong.2 South coast of China between  
H.K. & Lamocks3 H'kong to Gap N.E. winds,  
fresh; fair.4 South coast of China between  
H.K. & HainanT. P. CLAXTON Director.  
Hongkong, Dec. 12.LAST 2 NIGHTS OF  
ITALIAN GRAND  
OPERA

## THE STAR

TONIGHT at 9.15  
MIGNONThursday, December 13  
FAREWELL PERFORMANCE  
TRAVIATAPrices: \$3.00 and \$2.00  
PLANS AT ANDERSON'S.

## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Telegraphic Communication with Wagon Light-house has been restored.

## INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due.
Bombay	Shanghai	11th Dec.
Calcutta	Yokohama	12th
China	Southern	12th
India	From Jefferson	12th
Japan	Macdonald	14th
London	From Cleveland	14th
Manila	Emp. of Asia	12th

## OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date.
Hobson, Paiton & Huphong	Tokyo M.	Thurs. 13 inst. 8.30 a.m.
Japan	Yokohama	Thurs. 13 inst. 9.30 a.m.
Straita, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques.		
S. Africa, India via Dharmasthodi.		
S. America		
Straita & Calcutta	Southern	Thurs. 13 inst. 10.30 a.m.
Singapore	Tanda	Thurs. 13 inst. 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hawang	Thurs. 13 inst. 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrange	Thurs. 13 inst. 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Tekang	Thurs. 13 inst. 5 p.m.
Java via Surabaya	Tjendjara	Fri. 14 inst. 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Hongkong	Hongkong	Fri. 14 inst. 5 p.m.
Straita, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Mar-		
ques & Africa India via D'Koon		
Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Devacha	Fri. 14 inst.

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## TO-DAY'S SHARE QUOTATIONS.

## STOCK EXCHANGE SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

BANKS.	1090	1100
H.K. & S. Bank	219	219
Chartered Bank	219	219
P. & O. Bank	219	219
Bank of India	219	219
Bank of China	219	219
Bank of Japan	219	219
Bank of Korea	219	219
Bank of Siam	219	219
Bank of Persia	219	219
Bank of Egypt	219	219
Bank of Greece	219	219
Bank of Italy	219	219
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Bank of Portugal	219	219
Bank of France	219	219
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Bank of Holland	219	219
Bank of Prussia	219	219
Bank of Austria	219	219
Bank of Russia	219	219
Bank of Turkey	219	219
Bank of Persia	219	219
Bank of Egypt	219	219
Bank of Greece	219	219
Bank of Italy	219	219
Bank of Spain	219	219
Bank of Portugal	219	219
Bank of France	219	219
Bank of Belgium	219	219
Bank of Holland	219	219
Bank of Prussia	219	219
Bank of Austria	219	219
Bank of Russia	219	219
Bank of Turkey	219	219

MARINE	690	695
China	140	140
India	23	23
Japan	27	27
Manila	27	27
Swatow	27	27
Yokohama	27	27

FIRE INSURANCES.	139	140
China	510	510
India	510	510
Japan	510	510
Manila	510	510
Swatow	510	510
Yokohama	510	510

SHIPPING.	57	57
China	46	46
India	35	35
Japan	14	14
Manila	80	80
Swatow	63	63
Yokohama	80	80

REFINERIES.	241	240
China	241	240
India	241	240
Japan	241	240
Manila	241	240
Swatow	241	240
Yokohama	241	240

DOCKS, HARBOURS, GODOWNS & SHEDS.	153	151
China	153	151
India	153	151
Japan	153	151
Manila	153	151
Swatow	153	151
Yokohama	153	151

LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.	153	151
China	153	151
India	153	151
Japan	153	151
Manila	153	151
Swatow	153	151
Yokohama	153	151

COTTON MILLS.	12	11
China	12	11
India	12	11
Japan	12	11
Manila	12	11
Swatow	12	11
Yokohama	12	11

MISCELLANEOUS.	25	24
China	25	24
India	25	24
Japan	25	24
Manila	25	24
Swatow	25	24
Yokohama	25	24

Electricity Mains	b.	24		
Hongkong Roads	b.	5	b.	44.00
Hongkong Tramways	a.	2+1	a.	24
Peak Tram	Old		a.	1-
Peak Tram	New	15	b.	14
Steel Foundries	a.	2		
Water-works	b.	162	a.	17

Watsons	b.	23 1/2	b.	23 1/2
Wm. Powell	b.	21	b.	21
and Crawfords	a.	17	a.	17
Easton Inc.	a.	8 1/2	a.	8 1/2
H.K. Construction	a.	7	a.	7.50
Felix	b.	4.90	b.	4.90
				12.00

Income	b.	12	a.	12.50
Expenditure	a.	5		
Income Tax			s.	31
Month ending December 12, 1913				

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"The Boat"TODAY and SATURDAY  
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MIGNON  
Tomorrow  
(FAREWELL PERFORMANCE)  
TRAVIATATHE  
GRAND  
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